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ENGLAND Some British bobbies have been reprimanded after they used their riot shields as makeshift sleds during the country's cold snap.

A passerby filmed the bobbies goofing around on a snowy hill in Oxford and posted the clip on YouTube. It shows a policeman barreling downhill while another shouts, "Whatever happens, keep smiling!"

Thames Valley Police Supt. Andrew Murray said Thursday he had told the officers "that tobogganing on duty, on police equipment and at taxpayers' expense is a very bad idea."

But he added that snow brings "out the child in all of us."

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Movies Ford measures up



Harrison Ford walks the red carpet at the Varsity Cinemas in downtown Toronto Thursday night for an advance screening of his new film *Extraordinary Measures*. The drama, based on a real story, also stars Canadian actor Brendan Fraser and opens Jan. 22. **More coverage, page 24.**

Concern mounts

Toronto Haitians fear for kin in quake-ravaged state

HEATHER BUCHAN
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Haiti Crisis

Members of Toronto's Haitian community are growing increasingly concerned as they await news on the fate of loved ones in the earthquake-ravaged country.

Wagner Forgue hasn't heard from any of his dozens of relatives since the quake struck Tuesday.

"I haven't been able to contact anyone," says the Haitian-born Torontonian, who returned from a visit to Haiti last week.

"Sometimes their phones just ring and ring. Sometimes the line's dead."

Forgue gathered Thursday with other Haitians at Lakay Caribbean Restaurant in Scarborough, which has become an informal gathering place for the GTA's Haitian population, estimated at about 2,150 people.

Sitting across from Forgue was Esai Gede-homme, a look of concern on his face. Although nine of his relatives survived the

quake, he hasn't heard from his nephew.

But Gede-homme's worry gives way to anger as he contemplates the troubles that plague his birthplace.

"I would like to see the international community step in and rebuild properly. The Haitian government is not workable. You give them money

and they'll waste it. Haitians need to be very, very careful of where they make donations," he adds.

"Donate money to one of the established organizations, not individuals saying they're collecting."

Forgue, and a man who goes by the name DJ Scarmix, agree.

"Will the money actually go to the people?" they wonder aloud.

As the three men discuss the appalling situation in their homeland, Gede-homme's cellphone rings. He answers, and a smile comes over his face.

"It is my nephew," he says.

Helping out

- Lakay Restaurant, located at 613 Kennedy Rd., is collecting donations of bottled water, clothing and medical supplies, which will be donated to the Red Cross and World Vision for shipment to Haiti.
- Lakay Restaurant will hold a fundraiser for Haiti Saturday at the North York Civic Centre from noon to 5 p.m. For more information on the fundraiser, call 416-338-0338.

'Saviour' accused of keeping harem, fathering 37 kids

ARREST An Israeli man who kept a cult-like harem of women and fathered dozens of children with them has been arrested on suspicion of enslavement,

rape and incest, police said Thursday.

Police say Goel Ratzon kept 17 women in a state of near-total obedience in the Tel Aviv area. Spokesman

Micky Rosenfeld said they bore him 37 children, some of whom were born to his own daughters.

Ratzon, a self-described healer about 60 years old,

controlled the women's money and sometimes abused them if they dared to challenge his control, police alleged.

Ratzon, whose first name

means "saviour" in Hebrew, is being held in a Tel Aviv jail pending a court appearance Jan. 24. Rosenfeld said.

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A close-up portrait of a woman with light green eyes and pink lips, looking slightly to the side. The image is a vertical crop of a larger portrait, focusing on the lower half of her face. Her eyes are light green with dark eyeliner and mascara. Her lips are painted with a soft pink lipstick. She has a slight smile, showing her teeth. The background is a solid, light blue color. The lighting is soft and even, highlighting the texture of her skin and the color of her eyes and lips.



Smitherman camp snags major fundraiser

George Smitherman's mayoral candidacy got a significant boost yesterday with mega-fundraiser Ralph Lean's decision to join his camp. Lean, left, who co-chaired money-raising for Mayor David Miller's overwhelming win in 2006, brings an experienced team of about 40 veteran fundraisers who know how to hustle for the \$1.5-million limit allowed each mayoral candidate. After his man John Tory ended speculation he might run last Thursday, Lean met the next day for intense discussions with Smitherman and fellow candidate Rocco Rossi — both of whom asked for his support — before blitzing his network by telephone.

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Terrorist renounces extremist ideology

The terrorist mastermind behind a plot to cause untold deaths and destruction on Canadian soil stood in court Thursday to renounce the extremist views that once fuelled his chilling plans, saying he deserved nothing less than the country's "complete and absolute contempt."

Zakaria Amara, 24, a co-leader of the Toronto 18 plot to set off bombs outside the CSIS and Toronto Stock Exchange buildings in downtown Toronto and

"I have spent my entire life struggling to discover the truth ... of life."

Zakaria Amara

at a military base in Ontario, pleaded guilty in October.

At his sentencing hearing Thursday he read a letter to the judge and an open letter to Canadians, distancing himself from the extremist ideology that once consumed him.

"I have spent my entire life struggling to discover the truth and the reality of life," Amara said.

"But looking back retrospectively, I can also say that it is this same righteous struggle that led me down the road of extremism."

Amara promised in his letter to the judge he will use his sentence to become a man of construction, instead of destruction.

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News in brief

CORRECTION In a Jan. 13 story about an Inuit lawsuit over the European Union's seal

products ban, The Canadian Press erroneously reported the European General Court is

based in Brussels, Belgium. In fact, the court is based in Luxembourg. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Will Burlington Boulevard be a new Monopoly spot?

GAME Move over Boardwalk and Park Place!

Burlington wants a coveted spot in the latest Canadian edition of Monopoly.

Miffed at being shut out of the top 65, the city hopes to gather enough votes to nail a wild-card spot in the newest edition of the board game.

Hasbro Canada — maker of the game — has announced a cross-country challenge, asking Canadians

to vote for their favourite city to appear on the board. The only catch is that it has pre-selected 65 cities, including Mississauga and Toronto.

But Mayor Cam Jackson thinks Burlington deserves a place on the board. So he's asking residents to nominate their city for one of two "wild-card" places.

Hasbro will conduct an initial vote for the top 20 and a second vote for the top-10 wild-cards. Voting ends Feb. 21.

"As one of the best Canadian cities to live in ... Burlington should definitely claim a piece of real estate on the Canadian Monopoly board," Jackson said. "I would like to encourage residents to go online and help Burlington claim our spot in board game history."

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A 19-year-old man has pleaded guilty to first-degree murder in the 2007 death of Shawn (Juice) James in Regent Park. The identity of J.D. is protected under the Youth Criminal Justice Act. J.D. was 16 when the murder took place. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Keep eyes on the road: Cops

Deadly week leads police to speak out

Drivers in the GTA need to snap out of cruise control and use their eyes instead of relying on the gadgets in their cars, police are saying in the wake of a rash of accidents in the past week that killed pedestrians.

"What's happened in just a few days shows us what's going on, and we really do not want to continue in this path," said Const. Hugh Smith, of traffic services.

Thursday morning, a 25-year-old woman was pronounced dead at Steeles Avenue West and Hurontario Road in Brampton after a transit bus hit her.

Tuesday in Vaughan, Steven Seixeiro, 17, was hit by a semi-trailer turning the corner at Rutherford Road and Keele Street. He was pro-

nounced dead at the scene.

Hours later, Vaughan resident Nouhad-Nicolas Al-Kassouf, 80, was struck by a car while crossing at Roncesvalles Avenue and Dundas Street West. Her head

hit the pavement. She died in hospital Wednesday morning.

But Smith said the death of 28-year-old mother Marites Mendoza Tuesday "scared everybody."

Mendoza was pushing her seven-week-old son in a stroller when a car allegedly ran a red light and hit her while she was crossing Martin Grove Road at Eglinton Avenue West. Mendoza managed to push her baby out of harm's way, but was pronounced dead at the scene. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Const. Hugh Smith



Premier Dalton McGuinty announces the move to full-day kindergarten at a press conference at Victor Lauriston School in Chatham Tuesday as Chatham-Kent MPP Pat Hoy looks on. They said Thursday that parents who prefer the half-day program will be able to take their children home at lunch.

Full-day kindergarten not mandatory

EDUCATION Parents who want a half-day kindergarten program might have to move their child to another school if the local one is among those offering full-day.

The almost 600 elementary schools across Ontario to introduce the new program this September will only have full-day classes

for four- and five-year-olds, and not the half-day option, said Michelle Despault, spokeswoman for Education Minister Kathleen Wynne. However, if parents want their children to attend their home school, they have the right to informally pull them out for half the day, she added.

"It's not a mandatory

program," Despault said.

However, "if a parent did make a decision to withdraw their child from the full-day program for half a day, they would need to understand that they will not receive the full benefits of the full-day program — they may miss out on some of the curriculum."

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Arrests made in connection with Mark murder

SHOOTING Police have made two arrests in the shooting death of a man who had just left a west-end Toronto pizza shop.

Lamar Skeete, 19, of no fixed address, and a 16-year-old youth have been charged with first-degree murder.

A second 16-year-old youth is being sought by police.

Kenneth Mark, 29, was shot in the head Dec. 29 after stopping at the pizza shop on his way to

work and was pronounced dead at hospital.

Police had released surveillance video to attract tips in the case.

There has been speculation Mark was shot for trying to keep local youths away from gang members.



Kenneth Mark

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Alleged fraudster applies for legal aid

A Toronto-based financial adviser who returned from China to face fraud charges is now broke and will need legal aid, his lawyer said.

Weizhen Tang made a court appearance Thursday

after returning to Canada to face allegations he defrauded investors of tens of millions of dollars.

But his lawyer, Loftus Cuddy, said he won't be representing Tang for long.

"He doesn't have any money, so he's applying for legal aid," the lawyer said Thursday.

Tang, 51, was taken into custody



Weizhen Tang

when his Air Canada flight arrived at Pearson airport on Wednesday evening.

It's alleged that between January 2006 and March 2009,

more than 100 victims were defrauded of about \$30 million through an online trading Ponzi scheme, including one Toronto-area resident who allegedly lost \$2.4 million. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

News in brief

HIT AND RUN An off-duty provincial police officer pulled over a car with a smashed front end in Baxter, north of Toronto, and determined it had earlier hit a moving train. Brandon James Lusk, 26, of no fixed address, faces several charges.

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Quebec cabinet minister suffers recurrence of cancer

Quebec cabinet minister Claude Bechard is back in hospital after suffering a recurrence of the pancreatic cancer he had in 2008. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Canadian Master Cpl. Mike Lehman guards the Canadian Forces Globemaster on its arrival in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Thursday. Canada's aid-and-rescue effort in earthquake-ravaged Haiti is kicking into high gear, with the evacuation of scores of desperate people and the arrival of military transport planes packed with tons of supplies and a disaster response team.

Canada kicks off help

Military disaster team lands in Port-au-Prince

Haiti Crisis

Canada launched its Haiti aid-and-rescue campaign by air, sea and land Thursday, evacuating scores of desperate earthquake survivors and sending in tons of supplies and a disaster-response team to the beleaguered country.

The humanitarian effort ramped up amid the sobering news that RCMP Sgt. Mark Gallagher was found dead in the rubble of his home in Port-au-Prince after Tuesday's quake.

In one bit of good news, former Liberal MP Serge Maril was found safe and was being flown out of the country for medical care.

Officials fear up to three million people may need emergency aid.

Canadian toll

• Quake death toll for Canada: Four dead, including Yvonne Martin of Elmira, Ont., and four missing.

A C-130 transport and a huge C-17 touched down in Port-Au-Prince carrying a helicopter, emergency supplies and members of the military's Disaster Assistance Response Team.

In Halifax, a pair of Canadian warships set sail for Haiti, loaded with everything from a helicopter to chainsaws, medical supplies, construction materials and water-purification tablets.

HMCS Halifax and HMCS Athabaskan are expected to arrive early next week.

Many of the 500 crew members are expected to help search through collapsed

buildings, remove rubble and supply basic provisions.

Foreign Affairs Minister Lawrence Cannon said 100 Canadian evacuees were taken to the neighbouring Dominican Republic and were to arrive in Montreal on Thursday night.

He said the Canadian Embassy had turned itself into a "base camp" for Canadians in need and those seeking to leave the country. The embassy building has been evacuated as a safety precaution, but tents have been set up for people and medical help is being provided.

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News in brief

ALBERTA A large volume of mail dating as far back as 1993 in the Edmonton area apparently wasn't being delivered. Authorities say a former Canada Post employee is facing a long list of charges including theft after police found a large quantity of undelivered mail. John Kobitowich, 39, was charged after a joint investigation by Edmonton police, RCMP and Canada Post investigators.

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Saskatchewan won't appeal ruling on gang-colours law

COURT The Saskatchewan government will not appeal a court ruling that said the province's law against gang colours is unconstitutional.

A government official says the prosecutions branch of the Ministry of Justice won't appeal because they don't feel they'll win the case if they do.

A judge in Saskatoon ruled last month that the

law, which bans people from wearing gang colours in Saskatchewan bars, violates a person's right to freedom of expression.

The judge said the law is vague, too broad in some areas and not specific enough in others.

The official says the government will instead look at ways to beef up existing legislation. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Man found in suitcase Montreal's first homicide of 2010

Police declared a man found stuffed in a suitcase in downtown Montreal as the city's first homicide victim of 2010. A passerby thought he saw an arm or a leg protruding from the unattended suitcase in front of a home, and called police. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Welcome to the new frontier of social networking, which asks for your credit card number, banking information and any online shopping passwords you've accumulated.

It's called Blippy and after a beta-testing period it's now gone live to the world, offering to publicly broadcast all your purchases for everyone to see.

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Blippy markets itself as a “fun and easy way to see and discuss the things people are buying.” The U.S. site’s owners insist their high-tech encryption will protect your data from being stolen or reused.

Despite its eyebrow-raising concept, thousands of

users have signed up for it and Twitter CEO Evan Williams is reportedly among the investors who have bought into the idea.

Blippy's terms of use and privacy policy acknowledge that purchasing data may be used to display targeted ads on your account, and all your purchasing details could also be made available to third parties.

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Blippy purchase list

- One of the trail-blazing Canadians on Blippy posted a \$9.02 purchase from HomeSense, and then elaborated that it was a wine decanter. The \$2.25 he spent at Laura Secord was for a chocolate apple and the \$16.94 at Toys Toys Toys was for a teddy bear.

Vancouver **Aboriginal Coke bottle**



Members of the media surround a solid wood Coca-Cola Aboriginal Art Bottle during an unveiling in Vancouver, Thursday.

Two girls arrested, two boys sought after high-speed chase

CHASE Police in Peterborough, Ont., have arrested two girls and are seeking two boys following a stolen van chase early Thursday.

Just after 1:30 a.m., police tried to stop the van, but the driver took off, reaching speeds in excess of 170 kilometres an hour.

The chase ended when the van failed to negotiate a curve and wound up on someone's lawn.

Police say two Peterborough girls, both 16, were arrested at the scene but two 17-year-old boys fled on foot. A police canine unit tracked the males to where they allegedly stole a snowmobile and fled back into the city. Police say they have been able to identify both teenagers, but because of their ages, their names won't be released.

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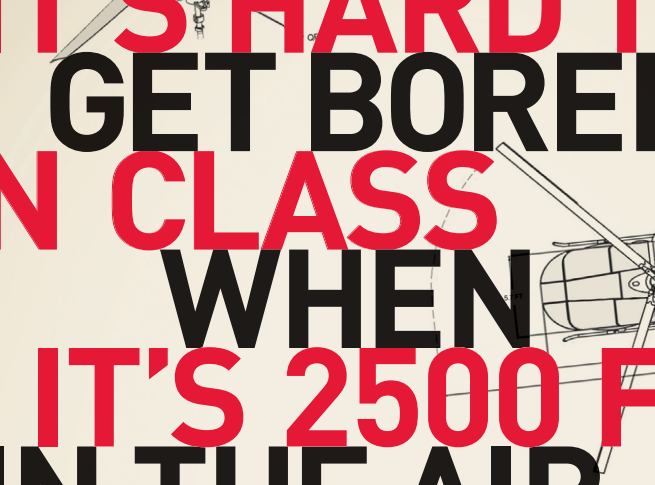
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Death sentences for convicted bombers
An Iraqi court sentenced 11 people to death by hanging after convicting them of carrying out bombings that killed more than 100 people in Baghdad. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World

Relief supplies slowly reach Port-au-Prince

Haiti Crisis

Desperately needed aid from around the world slowly made its way Thursday into Haiti, where supply bottlenecks and a leadership vacuum left rescuers scrambling on their own to save the trapped and injured and get relief supplies into the capital.

The international Red Cross estimated that 45,000 to 50,000 people were killed in Tuesday's magnitude-7.0 earthquake.

U.S. President Barack Obama announced that "one of the largest relief efforts in our recent history" is moving toward Haiti, with thousands of American troops and a broad array of civilian rescue workers flying or sailing in to aid the stricken country — backed by more than \$100 million US in relief funds.

To the Haitians, Obama promised: "You will not be forsaken."

The nascent flow of rescue workers showed some results: A newly arrived search team pulled UN security worker Tarmo Joveer alive from the organization's collapsed headquarters, where about 100 people are still trapped. He stood, held up a fist in celebration, and was helped to a hospital.

There are easily hundreds, and perhaps thou-



American Virginia Cary is comforted by workers as she tries to return to the U.S. at the airport in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Thursday. The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration halted all civilian flights to Haiti after some flights spent hours circling while awaiting permission to land at an already crowded airport.

3,000,000

International Red Cross estimate of Haitians who need emergency relief — half the country's population

sands, of people trapped, living or dead, in collapsed buildings. No one knows for certain. Friends and relatives have had to claw at the wreckage, often with bare hands, to try to free them.

Many dead bodies that were recovered still lay in the street, often covered by a white cloth, in 81-degree heat.

Some people dragged the dust-covered dead along the roads toward the morgue, where people came to hunt for relatives in a macabre sea of hundreds of bodies just a few feet from where badly injured victims await-

ed a doctor from the neighbouring hospital.

Planes from Canada, China, France, Spain and the United States landed at Port-au-Prince's airport, carrying searchers and tons of water, food, medicine and other supplies — with more promised the Western Hemisphere's poorest nation. The Red Cross has estimated three million people may need emergency relief.

The often-chaotic capital was surprisingly calm, despite the devastation, though journalists occasionally heard the sound of isolated gunfire.

There has been widespread looting of collapsed buildings since the earthquake hit, but rarely of undamaged shops, said Matt Marek, a representative of the American Red Cross.

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Children among dead in suicide bombing

AFGHANISTAN A suicide bomber killed 20 people — including three children — in a market in central Afghanistan in the deadliest attack against Afghan civilians in more than three months. Thursday's attacker detonated explosives in front of a currency exchange located in an arcade

of stores in the town of Dihrawud, about 400 kilometres southwest of Kabul. Thirteen people were wounded, according to a NATO statement.

District police chief Omar Khan said the attacker may have been headed for a regular security meeting of NATO and tribal elders. Khan,

who was at the meeting, could not explain why the bomber detonated his explosives before reaching the heavily guarded venue.

It was the deadliest attack against civilians since Sept. 29, when a bomb struck a bus outside Kandahar, killing 30.

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News in brief

WASHINGTON U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder told a Congressional commission investigating the financial crisis on Thursday



Holder

that he would find out whether anything was done in response to an FBI warning in 2004 of an "epidemic of mortgage fraud" that could plunge the country into financial collapse. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Michelle Obama reflects on the highs and lows of her first year in the White House. Scan this code for the full story.

Taliban leader escapes unhurt: Officials

The leader of the Pakistani Taliban was apparently targeted in a U.S. missile strike Thursday, but escaped unhurt, Pakistani officials said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Religious tensions simmer in Malaysia

A dispute over the use of the word "Allah" by Christians in Malaysia is the latest sign of growing hard-line Islamic influence in what has been a relatively moderate Muslim-majority country.

The dispute has spawned attacks on 10 churches and has hardened a long-standing sense of alienation among the non-Muslim minority, threatening 40 years of ethnic peace and stability that underpins Malaysia's economic success.

Tensions rose further Thursday after lawyers representing Christians in their legal fight for the

Multicultural mix

• A nation of 28 million people in Southeast Asia, Malaysia is a multicultural mix. About 60 per cent of the population is Malay, who are required to be Muslim by the Constitution. Another 25 per cent are ethnic Chinese, mostly Buddhist, and about eight per cent are Indians, who are mostly Hindu.

right to use "Allah" discovered their office had been ransacked and a laptop was missing.

Also Thursday, a church in the southern state of Jo-

hor was found to have been vandalized with red paint.

"We are continually treated as second-class citizens," said Benjamin Poh, a 47-year-old executive who is ethnic Chinese. He added that he is saving money so his son, 10, can attend university overseas to escape discrimination at home.

The church attacks over the past week — most were firebombed — followed a Dec. 31 court decision overturning a government order that forbade a Catholic newspaper from using the word "Allah" as a translation for God in its Malay-language edition.

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Protesters halt suffocating pig experiment

AUSTRIA Vehement protests from animal activists Thursday prompted scientists to temporarily stop an avalanche experiment that involved burying pigs in snow and monitoring their deaths.

The two-week experi-

ment was trying to determine what factors make it possible for humans to survive an avalanche in an air pocket until rescued without suffering permanent brain damage.

Hermann Brugger, co-director of the experiment

led by the Institute of Mountain Emergency Medicine, asserted the pigs didn't suffer because they were sedated and given an anesthetic beforehand.

But activists called it cruel and pointless.

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China's first gay pageant

The Mr. Gay China pageant is coming up and contestant David Wu is a bit worried.

It's not the underwear competition that's making him jittery — he's been working out to get ready. Just one thing troubles the 30-year-old: His parents don't know he's gay.

"Most Chinese media won't cover it (the pageant), so I think it's unlikely that my parents will find out about me because of this event," said Wu. "On the other hand, if they did ... maybe it's a good opportunity to tell them."

Featuring a fashion show and a host in drag, Mr. Gay

China, set for Friday night in Beijing, is the country's first gay pageant, marking a step toward greater awareness in a country where gays are frequently ostracized. Eight men compete for the title and a spot in the Worldwide Mr. Gay pageant in Oslo, Norway.

Organizer Ben Zhang said the main purpose of the pageant was to help people realize that there is a thriving gay community in China. "We are trying to make the Chinese public understand that we are not just sissies, we're not psychos, we're not HIV-infected diseased patients," he said.

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Turkey The long and short of it



Sultan Kosen of Turkey, 27, right, and He Pingping of China, 21, at a Guinness World Records event in Istanbul, Thursday. Kosen is the tallest man walking the planet with a height of 246.5 cm (8-foot-1) and He is the world's shortest man at 73 cm (2-foot-5).

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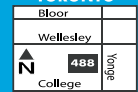
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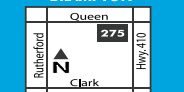
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Olympic organizers accuse bank of ambush marketing

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mittee to accuse the bank of ambush marketing. VANOC said the campaign — which offers prizes for photos and sto-

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Mark's tests vending units

Mark's Work Wearhouse is quietly experimenting with vending machines in two locations.

If successful, the Canadian retailer says it will add more in other locations around the country.

The machines were installed in December, one in the GO Bus terminal on Bay Street, next to Union Station, and the other in the William Osler Health Centre in Brampton. And while many consumers aren't sure what to make of them, Robin Lynas, vice-president of corporate development for Mark's, says both machines have recorded some sales.

The hospital machine dispenses everything from nurses scrubs to lounge wear, while the Union Station machine is focused on toques, umbrellas and mittens. The prices for the merchandise are the same as in the stores or online



Roger Neiley checks out a Mark's Express vending machine at the GO bus terminal next to Union Station.

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Kodak sues Apple, RIM over technology patent

Eastman Kodak Co. said Thursday it is suing Apple Inc. and BlackBerry maker Research In Motion Ltd. over technology related to digital cameras in their iPhone and BlackBerry smartphones.

Kodak filed a complaint before the U.S. International Trade Commission alleging the iPhone, Apple's hottest gadget, and RIM's camera-enabled BlackBerry devices infringe on a Kodak patent covering technology for previewing photos.

Kodak is asking the federal agency that oversees trade disputes to bar Apple and RIM from shipping the phones. The agency has the power to order the customs department to stop imports of products and parts made with the dis-

puted technology.

Kodak also filed separate lawsuits against Apple in U.S. District Court in

Rochester claiming an infringement of patents related to digital cameras and certain computer processes.

The company is asking for unspecified monetary damages and a court order to end the disputed practices.

Sales of iPhones and BlackBerrys aren't immediately threatened. Patent

cases can take months or years to resolve, and agreements over licensing and royalty payments often emerge.

"We've had discussions for years with both companies in an attempt to resolve this issue amicably, and we have not been able to reach a satisfactory agreement," said Laura Quatela, Kodak's chief intellectual property officer.

RIM declined to comment, while Apple officials did not immediately return messages.



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Economy will stall in 2nd half of year: Bank

CIBC Canada's economy faces a speed-bump on the road to recovery, says a new forecast by one of Canada's big banks.

The CIBC says the economy will grow by a strong three per cent annualized in the first half of this year as factories work to replenish depleted inventories and the housing market remains strong.

But the second half of the year faces an economic reckoning, with home prices flattening and factory activity stalling, resulting in a pause in job cre-

Interest rates

- The CIBC also predicts the Bank of Canada will raise interest rates before the U.S. Federal Reserve makes a similar move.

ation.

The bank says growth will fall below two per cent in the second half of the year. For 2010 as a whole, growth will average 2.3 per cent, well below the Bank of Canada's forecast of three per cent.

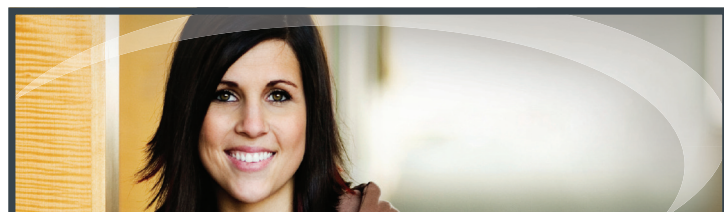
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Industry awaits new rules: Banker

ACQUISITIONS The president and CEO of Royal Bank says the Canadian banking industry will likely hold back from making any major acquisitions this year until they have more certainty over new regulations for their industry.

RBC chief executive Gord Nixon told a conference in Toronto that it was "almost irresponsible" for banks to be overly aggressive while they await details about rules from the Basel Committee, which governs international banking standards.

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Comment

Municipal politics luring politicians

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Ontario's alpha politicians are suddenly finding city hall immensely alluring. George Smitherman wants to be mayor of Toron-

to so much that he resigned from the provincial legislature, walking away from Ontario's deputy premiership. This week, Ontario Municipal Affairs Minister Jim Watson announced he will quit his post and give up his seat. He wants to return to his old job as mayor of Ottawa.

What's going on? For one thing, provincial politics are going to be about as much fun in the next few years as a prolonged case of swine flu. Look at the numbers. The McGuinty Liberals

moaned, wailed and delayed implementing some election promises when they assumed office in 2003 to find a \$5.6-billion deficit. A booming economy that generated oodles of tax revenue solved that problem.

But times have changed. This year's deficit is going to be at least \$24.7 billion, employment prospects are uncertain and there's no indication we can grow our way out of red ink in time for the 2011 Ontario election. Add to that voters' propensity to

punish the government in office during tough times and an obvious question arises: If you were an MPP, would you want to stick around?

There are, of course, other factors at play. Gary Carr, the amiable chair of Halton Region, says party discipline on the federal and provincial scene is disheartening because it turns bright, independent-minded elected members into "voting machines" who follow orders. Carr, who served as a Con-

servative MPP at Queen's Park and then as a Liberal MP before being seduced by municipal politics, says cabinet ministers chafe at carrying out orders from above instead of making their own decisions. And then at election time, a blunder by the party leader can cost even the most competent incumbents their political lives.

"Everything is based on what the leader does," Carr said in an interview. "So you can lose your job based on how somebody else per-

forms. But when you are mayor, you are actually in charge. You have to work with other people but ... whether or not you get elected again, all comes down to what you've done."

Now there's a concept: Direct accountability. And accomplished candidates are lining up for the jobs. It gives one hope.

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Views

Global positioning systems put to the test

Marketplace

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This past Christmas, one of the hottest gadgets going was the global positioning system (GPS). It's a handy device. But it turns out those great gadgets aren't always safe. At Marketplace, we've learned that programming a GPS on the road can be dangerous.

With the help of Durham Regional Police, we blocked off a stretch of road near Toronto and asked drivers

to find directions on their portable navigators. Transportation engineer Paul Green, from the University of Michigan's Transportation Research Institute, conducted the test while we recorded every move.

Green says drivers shouldn't look away from the road for more than two seconds at a time. "Every time you look away, that's another time period that you've lost a sense of what's happening while driving." But in our test, drivers trying to program the GPS took their eyes off the road for much longer — one looks away for seven seconds!

So just how many people actually program while they drive? Marketplace

commissioned the first poll of its kind in Canada and discovered that almost half of all drivers surveyed (47 per cent) program their GPS while driving.

That's not allowed in Ontario or B.C. anymore, but police say drivers are still doing it. York Regional Police Sgt. Edmond Villamere says a lot of drivers just don't think programming a GPS is as dangerous as texting. "You're still pressing buttons with your hands," he says. "Your hands aren't on the wheel and your attention isn't on the road."

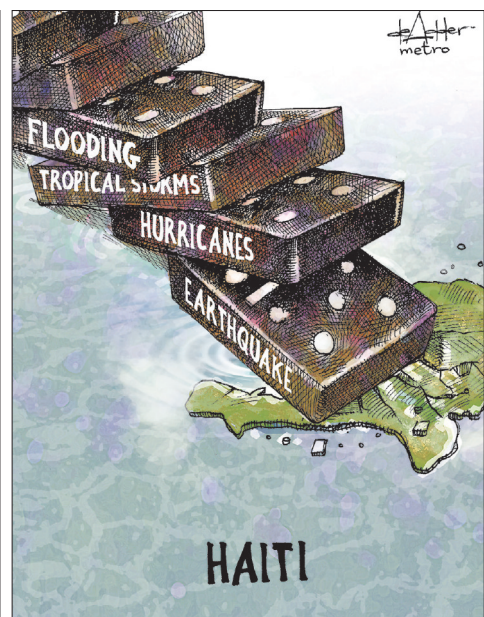
Green says manufacturers should design portable GPS devices so they can't be programmed while a car is in motion — just like most

GPS's built right into a vehicle.

But that doesn't fly with Steve Koenig with the Consumer Electronics Association in Arlington, Va. He says drivers should take responsibility behind the wheel. "If a consumer is operating a vehicle ... unsafely," says Koenig, "their excuses are their own."

Tell that to the family of Shannon Bentley. The Sault Ste. Marie woman was killed by a driver distracted by his GPS. They tell their exclusive story on Marketplace tonight.

Erica Johnson is a journalist and co-host of CBC News: Marketplace, Canada's award-winning consumer affairs show. CBC News: Marketplace airs each Friday night at 8:30 p.m. on CBC Television.



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Sports



Canadian goes fourth in MLS draft

The Kansas City Wizards used the fourth overall pick in Thursday's MLS SuperDraft to take Canadian forward Teal Bunbury, left. Bunbury's father Alex, a Canadian Soccer Hall of Famer, ended his playing career with the Wizards in 1999-2000. Toronto FC's first pick was in the second round, 24th overall, when it took Zac Herold, a U.S. under-17 defender who plays for West Pines United FC.

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Leafs cool off Flyers

NHL RESULTS

Flyers 0 Leafs 4



It was a moment Tyler Bozak will never forget. And it was a reminder during tough times that better things might lie ahead for the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Bozak earned a spot on the highlight reels with his first NHL goal Thursday and sparked the Maple Leafs to a 4-0 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers.

Vesa Toskala also played a big part in helping Toronto end a four-game losing streak by stopping all 38 shots he faced. It was easily his best performance during a season that has seen him relinquish the No. 1 goaltending duties to Jonas Gustavsson.

Nikolai Kulemin, Luke Schenn and Lee Stempniak also scored for the Maple Leafs (16-23-9).

Toskala earned his first shutout since October 2008 — a span of 70 games.



Toronto Maple Leaf Tyler Bozak, left, celebrates with teammates Thursday after scoring his first NHL goal against the Philadelphia Flyers at the Air Canada Centre. The Leafs blanked the Flyers 4-0.

The red-hot Flyers lost for just the third time in 11 games and saw their record fall to 23-20-3.

The game was tight until Bozak brought the Air Canada Centre alive with a gorgeous goal at 8:44 of the second period.

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Points party expected ahead of playoff clash between high-octane Cards and Saints. Scan this code for the story.

Arenas charged with felony gun possession

NBA Gilbert Arenas has a court date and an apparent plea deal is in place, signalling a possible quick resolution to at least one side of a guns-in-the-locker-room confrontation that stained the NBA and jeopardized the career of the three-time all-star.

Arenas was charged Thursday with felony gun possession — one count of carrying a pistol without a

licence — a crime that carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison. The charges were filed in D.C. Superior Court in an "information," a document that indicates a plea bargain has been reached.

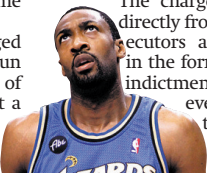
The charge came directly from prosecutors and not in the form of an indictment — even though a grand

jury has been investigating — and Arenas was listed on the docket for a court appearance Friday afternoon.

Arenas has acknowledged storing four unloaded guns in his locker at the Verizon Center, saying he wanted to keep them away from his young children and didn't know it was a violation of the city's strict gun laws. He says he took them out of the locker Dec. 21 in a "misguided effort to play a joke" on a teammate.

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DUNK DeMar DeRozan of the Toronto Raptors and Eric Gordon of the Los Angeles Clippers

will compete in the NBA All-Star Dunk-In competition to determine the fourth spot in the all-star slam dunk contest.

METS The New York Mets are upset Carlos Beltran had knee surgery this week after the team asked him to wait while management discussed options with its medical staff.

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Vancouver Games

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IOC boss confident cheaters will be caught

DOPING IOC president Jacques Rogge is confident that out-of-competition testing and work with Canadian authorities will stamp out drug cheats at the Vancouver Games.

Rogge said Thursday that the lessons of the last two Winter Olympics proved the effectiveness of surprise doping controls and police action when needed.

The same strategy will be used next month in Vancouver, where 2,000 doping tests will be conducted at the Feb. 12-28 Olympics.

"We have a zero-tolerance policy for doping," Rogge said at the International Olympic Committee's headquarters. "We are going to continue our policy of unannounced, out-of-competition testing. This is a weapon to trace the cheats. We're also going to store the samples for eight years, like we did in Beijing."

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Olympic dreams on the line

'Do or die' performances will decide which skaters head to Vancouver

Field of Play



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They are only the national championships, but the Canadian Olympic figure skating trials in London, Ont., could be a barnburner.

It's more than just hyperbole to suggest this gathering promises "sudden death" for some Olympic dreams.

There is, in fact, "no tomorrow" and two spots on the Canadian roster will depend on "do or die" performances in each of four disciplines — pairs, dance, ladies and men's singles.

In the men's competition there are at least six skaters with a chance. They come from the far reaches of the country and five are chasing Toronto's Patrick Chan, the world championship silver medalist, who has been less

than stellar in this crucial season.

It means Joey Russell of Labrador City, N.L., Shawn Sawyer of Edmundston, N.B., Vaughn Chipeur of Lloydminster, Sask., as well as Kevin Reynolds and Jeremy Ten, both of British Columbia, are in the hunt for a supporting role at Pacific Coliseum come February.

"With our nationals a few weeks out of the Olympic Games we will have those skaters who are at their best representing us in Vancouver," says Michael Slipchuk. As Skate Canada's high performance director, Slipchuk will have a heavy hand in making the final cuts.

He's well qualified for his job.

At the 1992 Canadian championships in Moncton, N.B., Slipchuk won a surprise title over Elvis Stojko and earned a ticket to his first and only Olympics in Albertville, France, where he placed ninth. That performance cemented the international notion that Canada had tremendous



Shawn Sawyer practises his routine Thursday at the Canadian figure skating championships.

For an interactive profile of Patrick Chan and nine other Canadian athletes to watch, visit: metronews.ca/sports

depth in men's skating as the injured Kurt Browning, Stojko and Slipchuk all finished in the top 10.

Slipchuk believes a system of trial by fire is the only way to ensure success at the Games.

"They will have shown the ability to do it when it counts," he said. "And that's exactly what they'll have to do to reach the Olympic podium."

"It's very humbling as one missed element can have you on the outside looking in. You have no margin of error in our sport if you want to be the best."

So that's what to expect in London, and for my mon-

ey there's no more dramatic scenario in all of sport.

At the end of the day, in order to live their dreams, all of these skaters will have to nail a single, required element.

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Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

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Virtue, Moir alter 'goose' lift to avoid running afoul of judges

ICE DANCING Canada's top ice dancers weren't taking any chances — so they brought the goose back down to earth a bit.

Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir will unveil an altered version of their breathtaking lift they nicknamed the "goose" at the Canadian figure skating championships this week after learning the element they've been per-

forming all season long might be viewed as illegal.

"If you can tell us what is illegal about it, we would love to know," Moir said.

The innovative lift that is unique to the Canadian duo has the 20-year-old Virtue poised on one leg on the back of a crouched Moir, her arms outstretched. The goose always elicits gasps from fans at events with its

distinctiveness and sheer difficulty.

"We love that move and got some good feedback on it, but we just kind of had to roll with the punches and it's just not worth the risk in case we get to the Olympics and decide to count that as illegal," said Virtue.

The grey area was the dismount. Virtue used to leap

to the ice in what some judges viewed as a jump — a no-no in ice dancing. Now, she spills into Moir's arms.

"It's a little bit tough when Tessa and I work so hard to come up with lifts and kind of be original and it seems every time we do something cool, they clamp down on it," Moir said. "But this kind of dismount is cool, too." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Countdown to the Oscars

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Check out Metro's picks for this Sunday's Golden Globes. Pictured here are Globe nominees, clockwise from top left, The Hurt Locker (best picture – drama), George Clooney from Up In The Air (best actor, best picture – drama), Sandra Bullock (best actress in a drama as well as musical or comedy) and Mo'Nique from Precious (best supporting actress and best picture – drama).

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Peter Jackson's The Lovely Bones bogged down by book.

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All eyes on Globes

Metro picks favourites to win at year's first major awards

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada



This Sunday the 67th annual Golden Globe awards will invade television across North America. While the Oscars qualify as the most prestigious night of Hollywood backslapping, the Golden Globes is the night that movie stars take home the trophies. Expect no exceptions this year when A-listers sweep up all the major categories to drunken applause from the equally famous audience. The following list represents the official Metro predictions for Golden Globe winners in 2010.

BEST PICTURE:

The Hurt Locker has swept the critics awards and has a shot at an Oscar, but expect Up In The Air to take the Best Picture prize in drama. Between a lead role for Hol-

lywood royalty George Clooney, able direction from Juno's Jason Reitman, and gently comic social commentary, a win is practically guaranteed. None of the nominees in the musical/comedy are particularly stellar, so the trophy will probably go to the raunchy The Hangover.

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BEST ACTOR:

Jeff Bridges has been one of the most underrated actors in Hollywood for decades and this will probably be the year that he gets a collection of statues for his impressive work in Crazy



Inglourious Basterds, left, has bagged a nomination in the best film (drama) category while Pixar's Up is a hopeful in the best animated film category at the 67th Golden Globe Awards which takes place Sunday.

Heart. Expect Matt Damon to take home well-deserved top honours in the comedy category for The Informant!

BEST ACTRESS:

Sandra Bullock set a record at the box office this year for bringing in more cash than any other actress. For that reason alone she will inevitably score a Golden Globe for The Blind Side. It certainly doesn't hurt that her stiffest competition comes from Meryl Streep's memorable turn in Julia And Julia, which has been relegated to the

James Cameron is the director to beat at the Golden Globes.

comedy category. Streep is locked in to win that prize before becoming the Best Actress favourite at every other ceremony in 2010.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR:

Christopher Waltz should have been given this award when Inglourious Basterds was released in Au-



gust. No one else comes close in his category and no other actor in any category more richly deserves an award this year.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS:

Comedienne Mo'Nique has been an awards favourite ever since her incredibly personal performance in Precious debuted at TIFF. Mo'Nique will give her first of many tear-filled acceptance speeches in 2010 this Sunday before releasing whatever unfortunate low-brow comedy she has lined up next.



Meryl Streep, here seen in the film Julia & Julia, has won two nods in the best actress (comedy or musical) category.

BEST DIRECTOR:

This fall everyone wanted to beat up on James Cameron for being overindulgent during the production of Avatar. Now that it's on

track to become the highest grossing film of all time, the director will be rewarded. Let's just hope that he doesn't declare himself the "king of the world" again come Oscar time.

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REVIEW The best joke in High Life is also the first, as the film's main character — a washed-out parolee/morphine addict played by Timothy Olyphant — informs us via voice-over that, as far back as he could remember, he had always wanted to be a lawyer.

It's a winking paraphrase of Ray Liotta's scene-setting reminiscence in Goodfellas, and while Gary Yates' Winnipeg-set period thriller isn't a patch on Martin Scorsese's 1990 classic, it does reiterate one of its key themes: being a criminal is especially difficult when you're high as a kite.

Dick's multi-part plan to defraud a series of ATM

machines (brand new as of the film's 1983 setting) is actually pretty clever, but populating his crew with three fellow junkies — including his brutal former cellmate (Stephen McIntyre) and a callow ladies' man he meets at an addiction support group (Rossif Sutherland) — is a less-than-genius move.

Yates, who showed a deft touch in the grifter tale Seven Times Lucky, does well in opening up Lee McDougall's award-winning play for the screen, aided in so small part by his game cast.

Olyphant gives a nicely straightforward performance, ceding most of the best lines to the glowering McIntyre.

Seasoned viewers will likely predict at least a few of the film's second-half twists, but High Life understands that it's best to quit while you're ahead: its 78-minute running time leaves a winning impression of briskness.

A hell you can believe in**The Book of Eli**

Director: The Hughes Brothers
Stars: Denzel Washington
Classification: STC
Rating: ****

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

With Hollywood currently saturating cinemas with post-apocalyptic drama, The Book of Eli's own tagline may be better suited to a wishful maxim for its investors: Believe in Hope.

After all, the movie's familiar theme may numb viewers who've seen enough Armageddon from recent films like The Road, 2012 and 9 (not to be confused with Nine).

But there's still much to like about the long-awaited return of the Hughes Brothers. In hiding since 2001's From Hell, the filmmaking siblings rebound



Denzel Washington and Mila Kunis star in The Book of Eli.

in style by bringing Hell to Earth — quite literally.

America has been churned to rubble following a devastating war. Destined to "stay on the path," a drifter named Eli (Denzel Washington) protects a sacred Bible from thieves and killers as he wanders westward following his destiny.

In the classic mould of a western icon, Eli possesses fighting skills that would rival any Clint Eastwood character, especially when

he meets his rival — a Mussolini-admiring warlord (Gary Oldman) who also desires that one remaining book.

It's a tricky role, playing a sanctified sinner, so luckily Washington gives it life even while surrounded by supporting parts that seem fashionably cookie-cutter.

Still, the film is stronger when it plays the thinking man's action flick rather than playing to pious over-

tones of spirituality.

Honestly, if post-apocalyptic themes weren't so prevailing of late, The Book of Eli would surely assume a greater impact on filmgoers. But with enough slick choreography, desaturated cinematography and a reliably compelling star, The Book of Eli may just make a believer out of audiences yet.

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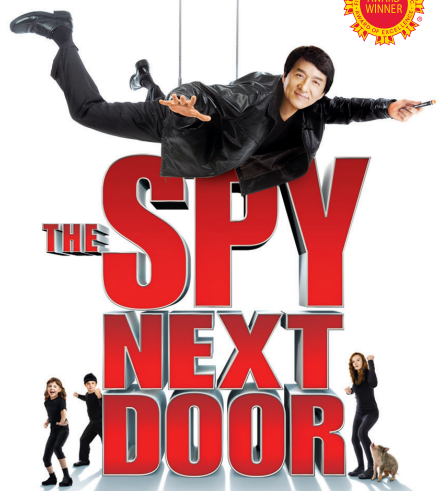
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Adaptation is too faithful

The Lovely Bones

Director: Peter Jackson
Stars: Saoirse Ronan, Mark Wahlberg
Classification: STC
Rating: ★★★★★

NED EHBAR
for Metro Canada

Adapting a novel into a two-hour film is tricky business. Filmmakers can create calamity just as much by staying true to the source material as they can with sweeping diversions from the book. The problem with Peter Jackson's *The Lovely Bones*, based on Alice Sebold's bestselling novel, is that it's too faithful.

The core story of the film — 14-year-old Susie Salmon watches from beyond the grave as her family copes with her murder — works just fine, and the three actors at the heart of it (Saoirse Ronan as Susie, Mark Wahlberg as her father and Stanley Tucci as her murderer) turn in outstanding performances, with Wahlberg possibly the best he's been.

It's a shame the rest of the cast doesn't have as much to do.

Rachel Weisz's suburban mother has so little to say or do that it's hard to care



Saoirse Ronan stars in Peter Jackson's adaptation of the novel *The Lovely Bones*.

when she buckles from grief and abandons her family. Susan Sarandon, as Susie's chain-smoking, gin-soaked grandmother, seems flown in from another film entirely. Her whirlwind "eccentric granny takes care of the kids"

montage feels more in keeping with *Running with Scissors*. And poor Michael Imperioli's detective has little more to do than give meaningful looks hinting at a much more fleshed-out subplot in the novel.

But the core holds together, with Susie learning to let go in a CGI-rich landscape somewhere between life and death.

Jackson paints some wonderfully surreal images as Susie comes to terms with her demise. A bit

more of that, and a few less characters, and *The Lovely Bones* could have been much lovelier.

• For a trailer of *The Lovely Bones*, photos and screen times, visit metronews.ca/movies.

Bridges real deal

Crazy Heart

Director: Scott Cooper
Stars: Jeff Bridges, Maggie Gyllenhaal
Classification: STC
Rating: ★★★★★

REVIEW In some not too far-fetched parallel universe, Jeff Bridges really might be living the life of a boozy country singer.

Bridges seems like the real thing in *Crazy Heart*, rasping out songs in the comfortable remnants of a whiskey-and-tobacco-seared voice that you might swear you've heard on a hundred jukeboxes.

It's not a great singing voice, but it's soulful, and Bridges matches it with one of the finest performances of his career, just playing the hell out of this guy whose self-abuse has carried him to a precipice where he either leaps into the pit or turns back and cleans up.

Academy Awards buzz is swirling around Bridges, nominated four times previously without a win. *Crazy Heart* feels like a potential Oscar winner for Bridges, who has a nice good-luck charm tagging along in co-star Robert Duvall, the 1983 best-actor winner for 1983's *Tender Mercies*, another story of a downtrodden country singer.

Adapted by first-time director Scott Cooper from Thomas Cobb's novel, the film casts Bridges as Bad Blake, an apt name for this wreck of a musician who has spoiled his many marriages, his career, his liver and lungs — pretty much everything a man can ruin.

He's not black-hearted bad — he's actually quite a charmer and very funny when he doesn't let his ornery side overwhelm things.

But he is bad — bad for himself and bad for others — and life has handed him more than his share of bad breaks.

Bad's still chugging through the heartland in his behemoth of a 1970s SUV, playing in dive bars and bowling alleys with pickup bands from town to town.

His audiences are small but adoring, even when he's so drunk he has to dart offstage to throw up in a trash can in a back alley, leaving the backup musicians to perform the song he's just dedicated to a wide-eyed fan.

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Strength in visuals**The Memsahib**

Director: Kruti Majmudar
Stars: Emily Hamilton, Parvin Dabas
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●●

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada



REVIEW First time Indian/American filmmaker Kruti Majmudar is known primarily for her work as an architect and that sense of practical design and physical beauty is the heart and soul of *The Memsahib*. Telling the tale of pretty British schoolteacher Grace (Emily Hamilton), her troubled marriage to Indian royalty in the mid 1800s and their possibly reincarnated counterparts in the modern age, the film is epic in scope and — despite its modest budget — astonishingly beautiful to look at.

In its first hour, *The Memsahib* (which means literally “white woman of status”) breathtakingly

evokes English occupied India, full of saturated color and sparkling costumes, with the young, passionate and woefully naïve Grace falling in love with her dashing, sensitive Raja (Parvin Dabas) and the mystical country he inhabits. But when Grace begins to take an active interest in the locals — those that are thought beneath her station — the brittle presence of politics and prejudice slowly, surely leads to both their downfalls. When the film flashes forward 150 years to the present however, with lonely divorcee Asha (Hamilton, again) retracing the steps and destiny of her ancestor, the picture loses its footing.

Devoid of that eye-catching period flavour, the central problems at the core of *The Memsahib* are revealed: Majmudar's strengths are in the visual, not the narrative. Her wonky, overripe dialogue is unnatural and descriptive, not organic, and her characters only exist to progress the plot.

Chan sinks to new low**The Spy Next Door**

Director: Brian Levant
Stars: Jackie Chan, George Lopez, Billy Ray Cyrus
Classification: PG
Rating: ●

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada



Oh, how far Jackie Chan has fallen. In his Hong Kong days, Chan was a legend. The man created slapstick kung fu and would write, direct, and star in films in addition to doing his own stunts.

But now the former action icon has been reduced to starring in *The Spy Next Door*, a completely disposable family action movie that makes Hulk Hogan vehicles like *Mr. Nanny* look like high art. Even the outtakes during the closing credits don't live up to Chan's usual outtake standards. His fans are sure to be disappointed.

Jackie Chan stars as a se-



Jackie Chan plays suburban geek by day, espionage agent by night in *The Spy Next Door*.

cret agent posing as a suburban geek. By day he awkwardly dates his single mother neighbour, but at night he tracks down the deadliest criminals in North America.

In the opening scenes, Chan retires and hopes to settle down, but ends up facing his biggest challenge yet (cue record scratching sound effect): Babysitting his girlfriend's children.

At first the kids think he's lame because he wears glasses, but there is always a chance that a few unexpected action scenes might change their minds. That concept may sound bad, but in execution it is somehow even worse. After all, this is the sort of move that tries to pass off Billy Ray Cyrus as a wise-cracking comedy sidekick (yep, that's true).

There's a chance that with enough sugary soda pumped into their system a few young children might find the movie funny. Parents, on the other hand, are guaranteed to be irritated and disgusted by what the filmmakers try to pass off as comedy.

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Police, Adjective a deadpan smash

Police, Adjective

Director: Scott Cooper
Stars: Dragos Bucur, Vlad Ivanov
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●●●

ADAM NAYMAN
 for Metro Canada

REVIEW The directors of Romania's so-called New Wave have all dealt in some way with the dark legacy of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, but Corneliu Porumboiu's film manifests a particularly sophisticated analysis.

As in his previous comedy 12:08 East of Bucharest, Porumboiu emphasizes stasis and duration, structuring his story of an undercover cop (Dragos Bucur) tailing a teenaged hashish dealer as a series of drawn-out, repetitive scenes — the better to call attention to the subtle variations therein.

There are some who find these effects stifling, but patient, attentive viewers will understand that Porumboiu's deadpan style lines up perfectly with the

experience of his protagonist: Cristi's senses are being gradually deadened by his surveillance detail. Gradually, his boredom mutates into something deeper and more anxious: he's worried that his quarry's transgressions don't line up with the impending punishment (a suspicion reinforced by a conversation with his girlfriend about Romania's shifting legal topography).

Cristi is hardly the first movie cop to suffer such pangs of conscience. But Police, Adjective is almost certainly the first cop movie to pivot on the official definition of the term. As in 12:08, Porumboiu brings his story — and themes — to a head in an extended seriocomic set-piece: an office showdown between Cristi and his superior officer Vlad Ivanov, whose by-the-book mentality represents an entire country's totalitarian hangover.

This hilarious and finally heartbreaking scene reminds Cristi — and the audience — that one must always choose their words carefully.

Funny Fraser gets serious

Movie feature

PHIL BROWN
 for Metro Canada

Brendan Fraser is best known as a tongue-in-cheek leading man who adds a much needed dose of humor to blockbusters like Journey To The Center Of The Earth and the recent Mummy series.

But for all his one-liners and physical comedy, Fraser is also an actor more than happy to take a serious turn with the right role. The upcoming Extraordinary Measures is one such movie in which he plays the real life figure of John Crowley, a successful businessman who gave up his career to pursue a cure for the rare Pompe disease afflicting his children.

"John Crowley's story is remarkable," Fraser told Metro. "He married his high school sweetheart, went to Harvard for an MBA, and then was told that two of his children were diagnosed

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with a very rare disease that would take their lives by the age of eight. But he didn't just stay in his comfortable job. He wanted more and so he had to navigate a very murky and ethically ambiguous path of business, medicine, life, and death."

It's a heartwarming story that has been turned into an equally touching film with Fraser at the center alongside Harrison Ford as a prickly scientist who teams up with Crowley to save his children.

For Fraser the movie presented an opportunity that he couldn't resist.

Not only was he given a role that he could identify with ("As a father, I know that feeling of paternal protection," claimed the actor), but the film also allowed Fraser to work with Harri-



Brendan Fraser gets serious with Harrison Ford in Extraordinary Measures, hitting theatres next Friday.

son Ford, whom he has always admired.

"Once I got past my hero worship and saw him work, I admired him even more," said Fraser. "He learned as much about the science behind the film as possible so that he would never condescend to the audience. I heard that Harrison did a bank heist movie recently and was even adamant about knowing exactly how to rip off a bank. I don't want to know what sources he got for

that one."

Extraordinary Measures was clearly a film of personal importance for Fraser and one that he is quite proud of. However, fans of his more mainstream fair shouldn't be concerned that he's abandoning blockbusters for drama.

"Like Harrison, I like to work," claimed Fraser. "Whether it's high brow or low brow, I always learn something from the movies and enjoy my career."

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Too neat for Haneke

The White Ribbon

Director: Michael Haneke
Stars: Ulrich Tukur, Susann Lothar
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●●

ADAM NAYMAN
 for Metro Canada



The White Ribbon took the top prize at last year's Cannes Film Festival (and the Toronto Film Critics Association's Best Foreign Film prize for '09). An impressive pedigree, and yet for those familiar with the austere Austrian's filmography, it may feel like second-tier work.

Haneke is what you might call a thesis filmmaker. His films work like mathematical proofs, and the best ones (Code Unknown and Cache) are the ones that invite the audience to complete the equation. The mysterious end-

ing of Cache places the onus of interpretation on the viewer; by contrast, when narrator of The White Ribbon tells us, five minutes into the film, that the story he is about to relate — about strange events that occurred in his rural hometown in 1916 — has something to do with subsequent developments in Germany's history, any sense of ambiguity is flattened.

This village-of-the-damned narrative is an allegory about the gestation of fascism. Pay attention, as you'll be quizzed on the way out.

The question thus becomes whether a pedagogically-inclined filmmaker (Funny Games is essentially an undergrad lecture on the politics of spectatorship) should be given the benefit of the doubt if the lesson is suitably worthy.

No doubt that Haneke is sincere in his attempt to

show how the sins of the father are internalized by his children, but there's something reductive about his formulation.

The White Ribbon is too well-made to dismiss (Christian Berger's grayscale cinematography is simply astonishing). But it's also a shade too neat to take seriously.



A scene from the black-and-white The White Ribbon.



A scene from the ballet documentary TuTuMuch.

TuTuMuch an odd preteen study

TuTuMuch

Director: Elise Swerhone
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

PHIL BROWN
 for Metro Canada



REVIEW TuTuMuch is a very simple and sweet documentary about nine young girls spending their summer auditioning for a spot at the Royal Winnipeg Ballet School. The movie is the third consecutive documentary about young girls studying ballet from director Elise Swerhone.

It's an odd subject to focus a career on, but Swerhone clearly has a passion for the material and an ability to get her subjects to candidly open up on camera. With no clear cen-

tral character the film can feel a little unfocused at times, but it does create an effective study of the subject matter, even if it's hard to say how wide the appeal will be.

The film opens with nine young girls from around the world coming to a prestigious ballet school for a grueling summer-long audition process. Stern teachers talk about how painful their training must be while criticizing girls young enough to have braces that their necks just aren't long enough to ever be dancers.

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Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Thru 12:50-3:40-6:40-9:20
Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Thru 4:10-6:45
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri-Sat 12:45-2:45-4:45-7:10-9:25-11:30 Sun-Thru 12:45-2:45-4:45-7:10-9:25

REVUE CINEMA
400 Roncesvalles Ave., 416-531-9959

Couples Retreat (PG) Sat 4 Wed 9:20 Thu 7
An Education (PG) Fri 7 Sat 9:20 Sun 7 Mon 1-9:20 Tue 7
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Sat-Sun 1:45
Pirate Radio (14A) Tue 9:20 Wed 7 Thu 9:20
The Road (14A) Fri 9:10 Sat 7 Sun 8:10 Mon 7
Travels on the Globe With Andrew
Prinzz (STC) Sun 4

THE ROYAL
608 College St., 416-466-4400

Police, Adjective (14A) Fri 7-9:30 Sat 4:30-7:30 Sun-Thru 7-9:20

VARSITY
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

Avatar 3D (STC) Fri-Sat 11:30-3:10-7:10-10:40 Sun-Thru 2-6-9-40
Broken Embraces (14A) Fri-Thru 12:20-3:30-6:50-10
Crazy Heart (14A) No Passes Fri-Thru 1:10-4:10-7:20-10:15
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri-Thru 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:20
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thru 12:35-3:55-6:25-9:15
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri-Thru 12:40-4:7-10-10:10 No Passes Fri-Thru 12:25-3:25-6:35-9:25
Nine (PG) Fri-Thru 12:50-3:40-6:40-9:40 Fri-Sun 12:5-4:25-7:05-9:45 Mon 12:5-4:25-7:05 Tue-Thru 12:5-4:25-7:05-9:45
Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Thru 12:30-3:20-6:20-9:10 Fri-Thru 1:05-4:15-7:15-9:55
The Young Victoria (PG) Fri-Thru 1:30-6:30-9:20

CANADA SQUARE
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

The Blind Side (PG) Fri 4-6:50-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:05-4-6:50-9:55 Mon-Thru 4-6:50-9:55
An Education (PG) Fri 4:25-6:45-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:25-6:45-9:20 Mon-Thru 4:25-6:45-9:20
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri 4:10-7:45-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-7:45-9:55 Mon-Thru 4:10-7:45-9:55
Invictus (PG) Fri 4-6:55-9:55 Sat-Sun 1-4-6:55-10 Mon-Thru 4-6:55-10
Leap Year (PG) Fri 4:40-7:20-9:40 Sat-Sun 2-4:40-7:20-9:40 Mon-Thru 4:40-7:20-9:40
Nine (PG) Fri 4:15-7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thru 4:15-7:10-9:50

Precious: Based on the Novel "Push" by Sapphire (14A) Fri 4:05-6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:05-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thru 4:05-6:40-9:30
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 4:35-7:05-9:15 Sat-Sun 1:55-4:35-7:05-9:15 Mon-Thru 4:35-7:05-9:15

MT. PLEASANT THEATRE
675 Mt. Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

Coco avant Chanel (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:30 Thu 7
No Flims Showing Today (STC) Mon
A Serious Man (14A) Fri 9:25 Sat 4:15-9:25 Sun 7 Tue-Wed 7 Thu 9:30

REGENCY THEATRE
551 Mt. Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

New York, I Love You (14A) Fri 7 Sat 4:15-7:30-10:15 Tue-Wed 7
No Flims Showing Today (STC) Mon
The Road (14A) Fri-Sat 9:10 Sun 7 Thu 7

YONGE-EGGLINTON CENTRE
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 11:50-2:10-4:40-6:55-9:30 Sat 6:55-9:30 Sun 11:50-2:10-4:40-6:55-9:30 Mon-Thru 1:10-3:15-6:20-9:15
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri-Thru 11:30-3:20-7:10-10:45
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10 No Passes Sat 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thru 1:05-4:20-7:20-10:15 No Passes Tue 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10
Daybreakers (18A) Fri 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10 Sat 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10 Mon-Thru 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10
It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:50-10:10 Mon-Tue 1:20-4:15-7:45-10:45 Wed 4:15-7:45-10:45 Thu 1:20-4:15-7:45-10:45

THE METROPOLITAN OPERA: CARMEN - LIVE (STC) Sat 1

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sat 12:10-3:40-7:20-10:40 Sun 12:30-3:40-6:40-9:40
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:10-6:40-9:45 Mon-Tue 12:35-3:45-6:45-9:25 Wed 3:25-6:45-9:25 Thu 12:35-3:45-6:45-9:25 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 11:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thru 12:50-3:50-6:55-10:05
The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sat 12:10-3:40-7:20-10:40 Sun 12:30-3:40-6:40-9:40
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:10-6:40-9:45 Mon-Tue 12:35-3:45-6:45-9:25 Wed 3:25-6:45-9:25 Thu 12:35-3:45-6:45-9:25 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 12:40-4:20-7:10-10:40 Sat 12:40-4:20-7:10-10:40 Sun 12:40-4:20-7:10

YONGE & DUNDAS 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

2012 (14A) Fri-Thru 1:30-5:10-8:30
3 Idiots (PG) Fri 9:15 Sat 3:15-9:30 Sun 9:30 Mon-Thru 3:15

ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

3 Idiots (PG) Fri 9:15 Sat 3:15-9:30 Sun 9:30 Mon-Thru 3:15
Chance Pe Dance (PG) Fri 9:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-5:30-7:30-10:30 Mon-Thru 4:30-7:30-10:30
Dulha Mil Gaya (PG) Fri 3:30-6:15 Sat 3:30-6:15 Mon-Thru 6

QUEENSWAY
1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Thru 12:05-2:30-5:30-7:30-10:40
Avatar (STC) Fri-Thru 3:10-7:10-10:40
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri-Thru 12:20-2:45-6:15-8:10-10:10
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:35 Sat 7:25-10:45 Sun-Thru 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:35
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 12:20-4:15-7:10-10:20 No Passes Sat 12:20-4:15-7:10-10:20 No Passes Sun-Thru 12:20-4:15-7:10-10:20 No Passes Fri-Thru 12:20-4:15-7:10-10:20 No Passes Sat 12:20-4:15-7:10-10:20 No Passes Sun-Thru 12:20-4:15-7:10-10:20

DAYBREAKERS (18A) Fri-Thru 1:50-4:45-7:45-10:35

THE IMAGINARIUM OF DOCTOR PARNASSUS (PG) Fri-Thru 9:30 Wed 10:05 Thu 9:30

INVICTUS (PG) Fri 12:55-4:05-7:05-10:25 Sat 7:05-10:25 Sun 4:05-7:05-10:25 Mon-Thru 12:55-4:05-7:05-10:25

IT'S COMPLICATED (14A) Fri-Thru 12:50-3:45-6:45-9:55 Wed 3:45-6:45-9:55 Thu 12:50-3:45-6:45-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

LEAP YEAR (PG) Fri-Thru 12:15-3:10-6:10-9:10

THE LOVELY BONES (PG) No Passes Fri-Thru 12:25-3:55-7:20-10:45 No Passes Wed 3:55-7:20-10:45 No Passes Thu 12:25-3:55-7:20-10:45 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1

THE METROPOLITAN OPERA: CARMEN - LIVE (STC) Sat 1

NINE (PG) Fri 12:45-3:40-6:35-9:40 Sat 6:35-9:40 Sun-Thru 12:45-3:40-6:35-9:40

THE PRINCESS AND THE FROG (G) Fri-Thru 1:40-4:20-6:55 Wed 1:40-4:20-6:55 Sat-Sun 12:35-3:50-6:55-10:30 Mon-Thru 12:35-3:50-6:55-10:30

SHERLOCK HOLMES (PG) Fri-Thru 12:15-3:45-7:10-10:30 Wed 12:25-3:50-6:55-10:30 Thu 12:35-3:50-6:55-10:30

THE SPY NEXT DOOR (PG) Fri-Thru 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:45

TU TU MUCH (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7

UP IN THE AIR (14A) Fri-Thru 12:40-3:35-6:25-9:25

YOUTH IN REVOLT (14A) Fri-Thru 2:10-5:40-7:40-10:15

WOODBINE CENTRE
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS: THE SQUEAKUEL (G) Fri-Thru 12:50-2:55-5:05-7:05-9

THE BOOK OF ELI (14A) Fri-Thru 1:47-9:30

IT'S COMPLICATED (14A) Fri-Thru 1:15-4:10-6:50-9:25

THE LOVELY BONES (PG) Fri-Thru 12:55-3:45-6:40-9:20

SHERLOCK HOLMES (PG) Fri-Thru 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30

THE SPY NEXT DOOR (PG) Fri-Thru 1:10-3:15-5:15-7:15-9:15

9:50 Mon-Thru 3:50-6:45-9:50
An Education (PG) Fri 1:50-4:25-7:35 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:50-4:25-7:35 Mon-Thru 1:50-4:25-7:35
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Fri-Thru 1:35-3:40-5:50-7:55-10:05

IT'S COMPLICATED (14A) Fri 1:20-2:20-4:05-5:05-6:50-7:50-9:40-10:40 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:20-2:20-4:05-5:05-6:50-7:50-9:40-10:40 Mon-Thru 2:20-4:05-5:05-6:50-7:50-9:40-10:40

LEAP YEAR (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:05-3:05-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:40-12:30-2:05-3:05-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45 Mon-Wed 2:05-3:05-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45 Special Engagement Thu 2:05-3:05-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45

THE LOVELY BONES (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:23-4:45-6:05-7:05-8:05-9:10-10:20-11:10 Special Engagement Sat 10:50-12:12-2:34-4:45-6:05-7:05-8:05-9:10-10:20-11:10 Special Engagement Sun 10:50-12:12-2:34-4:45-6:05-7:05-8:05-9:10-10:20-11:10

THE MEMSAB (STC) Fri 1:50-2:50-7:40-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:50-7:40-10:15 Mon-Thru 2:50-7:40-10:15

PRECIOUS: BASED ON THE NOVEL "PUSH" BY SAPPHIRE (14A) Digital Fri 4:10-10:10 Digital Sat-Sun 10:55-4:40-10:10 Digital Mon-Thru 4:40-10:10

THE PRINCESS AND THE FROG (G) Fri 1:45-4:10-6:30-9:05 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:45-4:10-6:30-9:05 Mon-Thru 1:45-4:10-6:30-9:05

SHERLOCK HOLMES (PG) Fri 2:5-8:10-10:50 Sat-Sun 11:45-1:35-2:45-4:30-6:30-7:30-10:20 Mon-Tue 2:45-4:30-6:30-7:30-10:20 Wed 2:45-4:30-6:30-7:30-10:20 Thu 2:45-4:30-6:30-7:30-10:20 Sat-Sun 11:25-8:10-10:50 Mon-Thru 2:5-8:10-10:50

A SINGLE MAN (PG) Fri 1:55-4:25-7:20-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:25-1:55-4:25-7:20-9:55 Mon-Thru 1:55-4:25-7:20-9:55

THE SPY NEXT DOOR (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:40-2:40-4:15-5:15-6:35-7:35-9:10 Special Engagement Sat 11:25-12:20-1:40-2:40-4:15-5:15-6:35-7:35-9:10 Special Engagement Mon-Thru 1:40-2:40-4:15-5:15-6:35-7:35-9:10

YOUTH IN REVOLT (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:15-2:45-3:50-6:30-8:30-9:45-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:20-3:15-4:25-5:30-6:30-8:30-9:45-10:45 Mon-Thru 1:20-2:45-3:50-6:30-8:30-9:45-10:45

WEST END

ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

3 Idiots (PG) Fri 9:15 Sat 3:15-9:30 Sun 9:30 Mon-Thru 3:15

Chance Pe Dance (PG) Fri 9:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-5:30-7:30-10:30 Mon-Thru 4:30-7:30-10:30

Dulha Mil Gaya (PG) Fri 3:30-6:15 Sat 3:30-6:15 Mon-Thru 6

THE PRINCESS AND THE FROG (G) Sun 12:45

THE SPY NEXT DOOR (PG) Fri 4:50-7:30-10:10 Sat-Sun 2:40-5:30-7:30-10:10 Mon-Thru 4:50-7:30-10:10

TU TU MUCH (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7

UP IN THE AIR (14A) Fri 12:40-7:10-10:40 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7:10-10:40 Mon-Thru 7:10-10:40 Tue-Thru 4:20-7:10-10:40

THE WHITE RIBBON (STC) Fri-Sat 5:20-9:30 Sun 1:50-5:20-9:10 Mon-Thru 5:20-9:10

THE YOUNG VICTORIA (PG) Fri 3:40-6:45-9:30 Sat 6:45-9:30 Sun 12:30-3:40-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thru 3:40-6:45-9:30

EMPERESS WALK
5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

Avatar 3D (STC) Stadium Seating Fri-Sat 1:20-3:30-4:50-7:30-8:30-11 Stadium Seating Sun 1:20-3:30-4:50-7:30-8:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Thru 3:30-4:50-7:30-8:30

THE BOOK OF ELI (14A) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sun 1:40-4:20-7:10-10:40 Stadium Seating, No Passes Mon-Thru 1:40-4:20-7:10-10:40

DAYBREAKERS (18A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 2:20-5:50-10:10 Stadium Seating Mon-Thru 5:50-10:10

THE LOVELY BONES (PG) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:20 Stadium Seating, No Passes Mon-Thru 4:20-7:20-10:20

NINE (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:05-3:40-6:40-9:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Thru 3:40-6:40-9:30

SHERLOCK HOLMES (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:30-10:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Thru 3:50-6:40-9:30-10:30

A SINGLE MAN (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:25-4:10-7:05-9:40 Stadium Seating Mon-Thru 4:10-7:05-9:40

YOUTH IN REVOLT (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 2:10-4:40-7:30-10:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Thru 4:40-7:30-10:30

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3401 Dufferin St., 416-444-3456

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thru 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:30

Avatar 3D (STC) Fri 2:30-10:15-10:45 Sat 11:30-2:10-6:15-7:10-10:45 Sun 11:30-2:10-6:15-7:10-10:45 Mon-Wed 12:30-2:45-15:8-10 Thu 12:30-2:45-15:8-10

THE BOOK OF ELI (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:30 No Passes Sun-Thru 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:30

DAYBREAKERS (18A) Fri-Sat 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sun-Thru 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30

IT'S COMPLICATED (14A) Fri 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:45 Sat-Thru 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:40

THE LOVELY BONES (PG) No Passes Fri 12:15-3:25-6:30-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:40-6:50-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thru 12:15-3:25-6:30-9:40

Cineplex

Empire

AMC

Alliance Atlantis

Rainbow Cinemas

Independent

This week's new releases are highlighted in pink.

Screen Times

THESE PAGES COVER MOVIE START TIMES FROM FRI., JAN. 15 TO THURS., JAN. 21. TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. COMPLETE LISTINGS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT METRONEWS.CA/MOVIES.

The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Sun 12:00-3 Mon-Thu 3:45
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:10-7:30-10:25 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:15
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:20-7:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:15-9:30
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:45-7:50-10:35 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:30-9:50

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-4:20-7:20-10:30 Mon-Thu 12:50-4:20-7:20-10:30
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 12:10-3:40-7:10-10:20 Sat 7:10-10:20-10:20-12:10-3:40-7:10-10:20 Mon-Thu 12:10-3:40-7:10-10:20
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:45-7:50-11 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:45-7:15-9:45

Mon-Tue 3:15-6:30-9:35 Wed 3:15-9:35 Thu 3:15-6:30-9:35
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 4:20-6:55-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:20-6:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10-9:40
SILVERCITY MISSISSAUGA
 3055 Vega Blvd., 905-569-3373

KENNEDY COMMONS 20

33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

2012 (14A) Fri 2:50-6:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:50-6:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 2:50-6:10-9:30
3 Idiots (PG) Fri 2:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 2:30-6:30-9:30
Armored (14A) Fri 1:10-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:35-5:10-9:55 Mon-Thu 5:10-9:55
Avatar (STC) Fri 2:45-3:30-7:30-9 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:45-3:30-7:30-9 Mon-Thu 2:45-3:30-7:30-9
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri 2:45-3:30-7:30-9 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:15-2:45-4:45-6:15-8:15-9:45 Mon-Thu 2:45-4:45-6:15-8:15-9:45
Broken Embraces (14A) Fri 4:30-7:15-10 Sat-Sun 12:40-4:30-7:15-10 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:15-10
Brothers (14A) Fri-Thu 2:50-7:50
Chance Pe Dance (PG) Special Engagement Fri 4:55-9:50 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 1:05-4:55-9:50 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 4:55-9:50

Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri-Thu 2:45-7:30

An Education (PG) Fri 2:40-5:07-7:25-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:40-5:07-7:25-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:07-7:25-9:55

The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri 4:35-7:20-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:50-4:35-7:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:20-10:05

Invictus (PG) Fri 3:55-6:50-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:35-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 3:55-6:50-9:45

The Menendez (STC) Fri 2:55-5:20-7:45-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:55-5:20-7:45-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:55-5:20-7:45-10:10

Nine (PG) Fri 2:40-7:25-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:20-2:40-7:25-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:40-7:25-10:10

The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri 2:40-5:20-7:40 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:40-5:20-7:40 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:20-7:40

The Road (14A) Fri 5:20-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:10-5:20-10:15 Mon-Thu 5:20-10:15

The Spy Next Door (PG) Special Engagement Fri 3:30-5:45-8:10-11:15 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 3:30-5:45-8:10-11:15

The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 4:15-7:05-10 Sat-Sun 12:40-4:15-7:05-10 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:05-10

Up in the Air (14A) Fri 2:30-5:35-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:30-5:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:35-10:05

The Young Victoria (PG) Fri 2:25-4:50-7:15-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:55-2:25-4:50-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:25-4:50-7:15-9:50

WOODSIDE CINEMAS

1571 Sandhurst Circle, 416-299-3456

3 Idiots (PG) Fri 6:15 Sat-Sun 6 Mon-Thu 6:15

Chance Pe Dance (PG) Fri 4:30-7:30 Sat-Sun 2:40-7:30 Mon-Thu 4:7-9:30

Dulha Mil Gaya (PG) Fri 9:30 Sat-Sun 9:15 Mon-Thu 9:30

Pyaar Impossible (PG) Fri 3:30 Sat-Sun 3 Mon-Thu 4:15

PEEL REGION

CINÉ STARZ

377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

2012 (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:20-7:40 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:40

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 12

Brothers (14A) Fri-Sun 12:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 2:30-7:20-9:05

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri 12:35-3:10-4:45 Sat 12:45-10:10 Sun 12:13-3:10 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:15

Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri-Sun 5:30 Mon-Thu 2:40-6:45-9:10

Ninja Assassin (18A) Fri-Sun 1:45-8 Mon-Thu 1:5

Planet 51 (PG) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:10-4:45-6:20 Mon-Thu 1:5-4:5

The Road (14A) Fri-Sun 3:30-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:15-7:9

COLISEUM 10

309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

Avatar 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 11:30-12:30-3:50-7:40-10:50-11:20 Mon-Thu 1:20-2:30-5:15-6:30-9:15-10:20

Avatar: An IMAX 3D Experience (STC) Fri-Sun 11:20-3:40-6:30 Mon-Thu 12:30-3:10-7:30-10:30

The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:15-6:20-9:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4:20-7:30-10:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:30-10:40

Daybreakers (18A) Fri 1:45-5-8:11-10 Sat 12:40-3:30-8:11-10 Mon-Thu 1:45-5-8:11-10

It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:45-6:50-9:50

Kutty (STC) Fri-Thu 2:6-9:40

The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 11:50-3:20-6:40-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 11:50-3:20-6:40-10:10 No Passes Tue 4:7-9:50 No Passes Thu 11:50-3:20-6:40-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1

The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 3:30-6:50-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:15-3:30-6:50-10:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:50-10:10

The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri 3:50-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:35-6:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:10

Tu Tu Much (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7

The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 3:15-6:20-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:35

COURTNEY PARK 16

110 Courtney Park Rd., 905-362-1210

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 2:40-3:30-5:55-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:35-2:40-3:30-5:55-9:30 Mon-Thu 2:40-3:30-5:55-9:30

Avatar (STC) Fri 11:15-4:45-6:30-9:45

Avatar 3D (STC) Fri 11:15-4:45-6:30-9:45

It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-2:20-7:10-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20-10:15

Nine (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:40

Precious: Based on the Novel "Push" by Sapphire (14A) Fri 12:30-3:30-6:20-9:20 Sun-Tue 3:30-6:20-9:20 Wed 3:30-6:20-9:20

The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:20

The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:50-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 5:7-10:30

Tu Tu Much (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7

Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:10-9:50

Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri-Sun 2:40-7:40-10:50 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:40-10:50

SQUARE ONE

100 City Centre Dr., 905-275-2640

3 Idiots (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:45-5:30-9:15

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:45-3:15-7:30-9:45

The Blind Side (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:50-9:50

Chance Pe Dance (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:45-9:30

Dulha Mil Gaya (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:20

The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:10-10:15

Invictus (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:40

Leap Year (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:20-10

The Princess and the Frog (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-7

The Spy Next Door (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:15-4:45-9:45

Up in the Air (14A) Fri 1:55-4:35-7:25-10:25 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:55-4:35-7:25-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:35-7:25-10:25

Youth in Revolt (14A) Special Engagement Fri 3:05-5:30-8:10-10:40 Sat-Sun 12:35-3:05-5:30-8:10-10:40 Mon-Thu 3:05-5:30-8:10-10:40

ORION GATE GRANDE

20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 4:40-7:15-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:10-4:40-7:15-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:15-9:40

Avatar 3D (STC) Fri 11:20-3:45-6:55-10:30 Sat-Sun 11:40-3:15-6:55-10:30 Mon-Thu 3:15-6:55-10:30

The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:30-10:25 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-7:30-10:25 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:20-7:30-10:25

Daybreakers (18A) Fri 4:50-7:40-10:15 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:25-7:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:40-10:15

It's Complicated (14A) Fri 3:50-6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:30

Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Leap Year (PG) Fri 3:45-6:15-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:30-5:6-15-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:15-9:20

The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri 3:30-6:45-10:05 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-3:30-6:45-10:05 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:7-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 4:7-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:05-4:10-9:55 Mon-Thu 4:7-9:55

The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:55-6:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:30-9:10

Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Thu 9:10

Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 4:10-6:25-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:50-4:10-6:25-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:25-9:30

SILVERCITY BRAMPTON

50 Great Lakes, 905-789-6797

3 Idiots (PG) Fri 4:50-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:50-4:50-9:15 Mon-Thu 4:40-9

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 4:30-7:05-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:35-2:40-7:05-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:25-6:50-9:15

Avatar (STC) Fri 11:30-6:15-7:10-10:45 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:10-6:15-7:10-10:45 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:40-10:45

The Blind Side (PG) Fri 3:6-10-9:20 Sat 6:10-9:20 Sun 3:6-10-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:10-6:20-9:25

The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 4:7-10:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:45-4:7-10:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:7-10:40

Chance Pe Dance (PG) Fri 3:45-7:15-10:25 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:45-7:15-10:25 Mon-Thu 3:50-7:10

Daybreakers (18A) Fri 4:40-7:30-10:30 Sat-Sun 12:40-4:40-7:30-10:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30-10:30

It's Complicated (14A) Fri 3:35-6:35-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:35-6:35-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:35-9:50

Leap Year (PG) Fri 4:10-7:20-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:40-4:10-7:20-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:15-9:55

The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri 3:20-6:40-9:55 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-6:40-9:55 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:20-6:40-9:50

The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1

The Princess and the Frog (G) Sat-Sun 11:45-2:20

Pyaar Impossible (PG) Fri-Sun 5-9 Mon-Thu 4:50-8:50

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 3:30-6:50-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:15-3:30-6:50-10:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:50-10:10

The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri 3:50-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:35-6:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:10

Tu Tu Much (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7

The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 3:15-6:20-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:35

Mon-Tue 3:15-6:30-9:35 Wed 3:15-9:35 Thu 3:15-6:30-9:35

Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 4:20-6:55-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:20-6:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10-9:40

SILVERCITY MISSISSAUGA

3055 Vega Blvd., 905-569-3373

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:45-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:45-9:40

The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 3:50-7:10-10

Invictus (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-3:20-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:20-6:30-9:30

It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-2:20-7:10-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20-10:15

Nine (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:40

Precious: Based on the Novel "Push" by Sapphire (14A) Fri 12:30-3:30-6:20-9:20 Sun-Tue 3:30-6:20-9:20 Wed 3:30-6:20-9:20

The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:20

The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:50-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 5:7-10:30

Tu Tu Much (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7

Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:10-9:50

Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri-Sun 2:40-7:40-10:50 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:40-10:50

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3 Idiots (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:45-5:30-9:15

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:45-3:15-7:30-9:45

The Blind Side (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:50-9:50

Chance Pe Dance (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:45-9:30

Dulha Mil Gaya (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:20

The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:10-10:15

Screen Times

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HALTON

GALAXY CINEMAS MILTON
1175 Maple Ave., 905-864-1666

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 7:20-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:20-4:40-7:20 Mon-Thurs 7:20
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri 6:40-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:30-3:40-10:10 Mon-Thurs 6:40-10:10
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 6:30-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:15-3:15-6:30-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thurs 6:30-9:40
Daybreakers (18A) Fri 6:35-9:30 Sat 4:35-9:30 Sun 12:50-4:35-9:30 Mon-Thurs 6:35-9:30
It's Complicated (14A) Fri 7:10-10:05 Sat 12:30-7:10-10:05 Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:05 Mon-Thurs 7:10-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Leap Year (PG) Fri 7:15-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:45-7:15-9:45 Mon-Thurs 7:15-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri 6:50-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-6:50-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thurs 6:50-10:10
The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 6:45-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:45-3:40-6:45-9:50 Mon-Thurs 6:45-9:50

SILVERCITY BURLINGTON 8
1250 Brant St., 416-646-0444

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Sun 12:30-5:30-7:30-9:50 Mon-Thurs 6:40-9
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 11:30-3:10-6:45-10:30 Mon-Thurs 6:45-10:30
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 4:05-7:05-10:05 Sat 7:05-10:05 Sun 4:05-7:05-10:05 Mon-Tue 7:05-10:05 Wed 10:05 Thu 7:05-10:05
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:20 No Passes Mon-Thurs 7:15-10:20
Daybreakers (18A) Fri 1:45-4:45-7:45-10:30 Sat-Sun 4:45-7:45-10:30 Mon-Thurs 7:45-10:30
It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Mon-Thurs 7:10-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Leap Year (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 Mon-Thurs 6:50-9:50
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-7:10-10:15 No Passes Mon-Thurs 7:10-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Sun 1:05-4:05-7:10-10:10 Mon-Thurs 7:10-10:10
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Mon-Thurs 7:30-10:30
Tu Tu Much (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Sat 4:20-7:20-10:20 Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Mon-Thurs 7:20-10:20
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 Sat 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 Mon-Thurs 7:25-10:25

SILVERCITY OAKVILLE
3531 Wyecroft Road, 905-827-7173

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:45-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thurs 6:30-9:45
Avatar (STC) Fri-Sun 2:30-5:30-8:15 Mon-Thurs 6:30-10:15



Amy Adams' new romantic-comedy Leap Year is currently playing in theatres.

Mon-Thurs 6:50-10:30
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thurs 6:30-9:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:47-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thurs 7:20-10:20
Daybreakers (18A) Fri-Sun 1:47-7:20-10:20 Mon-Thurs 7:20-10:20
It's Complicated (14A) Fri 12:40-3:40-6:55-9:55 Sat 6:55-9:55 Wed 9:55 Thu 6:55-9:55
Leap Year (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-4:10-7:30-10:10 Mon-Thurs 7:30-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:10-3:20-6:40-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thurs 6:40-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:30-7:10 Mon-Thurs 7:10
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Sat 1:10-4:20-7:15-9:45 Sun 4:20-7:15-9:45 Mon-Thurs 7:15-9:45
Tu Tu Much (STC) Sun 1 Wed 7
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:45

Sat 7:30-10:45 Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:45 Mon-Thurs 7:30-10:45
WINSTON CHURCHILL
2081 Winston Park Dr., Oakville, 905-829-2009

2012 (14A) Fri-Thurs 12:50-7:05
3 Idiots (PG) Sub-Titled Fri-Thurs 1:40-5:25-9:15
Avatar (STC) Fri 12:45-2:45-4:15-6:15-7:45-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:15-12:45-2:45-4:15-6:15-7:45-10:10 Mon-Thurs 12:45-2:45-4:15-6:15-7:45-10:10
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri 2:30-5:30-7:30-9:15-10:45 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:30-2:30-5:30-7:30-9:15-10:45 Mon-Thurs 2:30-5:30-7:30-9:15-10:45
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 1:20-4:10-7:05-9:55 Sat-Sun 10:35-1:20-4:10-7:05-9:55 Mon-Thurs 1:20-4:10-7:05-9:55
The Book of Eli (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:30-2:15-3:20-4:30-5:15-6:30-7:30-8:15-9:30-10:30-11:15 Special Engagement Sat 11:12-3:10-13:15 Special Engagement Sun 11:12-3:10-13:15 Special Engagement Mon-Thurs 11:12-3:10-13:15 Special Engagement Mon-Thurs 1:30-2:15-3:20-4:30-5:15-6:30-7:30-8:15-9:30-10:30 Special Engagement Mon-Thurs 1:30-2:15-

3:20-4:30-5:15-6:30-7:30-8:15-9:30-10:30
Chance Pe Dance (PG) Sub-Titled Fri-Thurs 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10
Daybreakers (18A) Special Engagement Fri 2:25-4:15-4:55-7:30-10:05-10:35 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:25-4:15-4:55-7:30-10:05-10:35 Mon-Thurs 2:25-4:15-4:55-7:30-10:05-10:35
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri 1:10-7:10 Sat-Sun 10:40-1:10-7:10 Mon-Thurs 1:10-7:10
Dulha Mil Gaya (PG) Sub-Titled Fri-Thurs 3:35-9:35
Leap Year (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:20-3:05-5:40-7:25-8:10-9:55-10:35 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:40-12:35-2:20-3:05-5:40-7:25-8:10-9:55-10:35 Mon-Thurs 2:20-3:05-5:40-7:25-8:10-9:55-10:35
The Lovely Bones (PG) Special Engagement Fri 12:45-1:45-4:50-7:20-8:30-10:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:30-12:45-1:45-4:50-7:20-8:30-10:30 Special Engagement Mon-Thurs 12:45-1:45-4:50-7:20-8:30-10:30
Old Dogs (G) Fri-Thurs 2:40-7:35
The Road (14A) Fri 5:50-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:05-5:50 Mon-Thurs 5:50

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 1:05-5:30-12:45-4:45-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15-11:11 Sat 10:50-12:30-1:05-1:50-3:25-4:45-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15-11:11 Sun 10:50-12:30-1:05-1:50-3:25-4:45-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15 Mon-Tue 1:05-1:50-3:25-4:45-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15 Wed 1:05-1:50-3:25-4:45-6:30-8:30-10:15 Thu 1:05-1:50-3:25-4:45-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 1:25-4:20-7:15-10:10 Sat-Sun 10:35-1:25-4:20-7:15-10:10 Mon-Thurs 1:25-4:20-7:15-10:10
The Young Victoria (PG) Fri 1:55-4:35-7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 11:25-1:55-4:35-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thurs 1:55-4:35-7:10-9:45

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AJAX
248 Kingston Rd. E., 905-426-7772

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 6:35-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:20-6:35-9:30 Mon-Thurs 6:35-9:30
Avatar (STC) Fri 6:30-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-6:30-10:10

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Mon-Thurs 6:30-10
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 7:05-10:05 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 No Passes Mon-Thurs 7:05-10:05
Daybreakers (18A) Fri 7:15-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:35-3:10-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thurs 7:15-9:50
It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Sat 6:45-9:55 Sun 12:50-3:50-6:45-9:55 Mon-Thurs 6:45-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Leap Year (PG) Fri 7:45-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:40-7:45 Mon-Thurs 7:45-9:45
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri 6:50-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-3:35-6:50-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thurs 6:50-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
The Metropolitan Opera: Carmen - Live (STC) Sat 1
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 7:10-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:45-7:10-10:15 Mon-Thurs 7:10-10:15
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri 6:55-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:25-3:55-6:55-9:35 Mon-Thurs 6:55-9:35
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 6:40-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:30-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thurs 6:40-9:40

PICKERING 8
1355 Kingston Rd., 416-646-0444
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:05-4:30-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thurs 7:10-9:30
Avatar (STC) Fri 6:30-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-6:30 Mon-Thurs 6:30-10:10
The Book of Eli (14A) No Passes Fri 7:10-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:47-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thurs 7:10-10:10
Daybreakers (18A) Fri 7:15-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:50-7:15-10:05 Mon-Thurs 7:15-10:05
It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Sun 10:10-10:10 Mon-Thurs 8:20
Leap Year (PG) Fri 6:45-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:15-6:45-9:40 Mon-Thurs 6:45-9:40
The Lovely Bones (PG) No Passes Fri 6:30-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-6:30-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thurs 6:30-9:50
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 6:50 Sat-Sun 12:15-3:40-6:50 Mon-Thurs 6:50
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri 6:20-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:30-6:20-9:15 Mon-Thurs 6:20-9:15

WHITBY 24
75 Consumers Dr., 905-665-7210
2012 (14A) Fri-Sun 4:10-9:50 Mon-Tue 4:20-9:50 Wed 9:50 Thu 4:20-9:50
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Sun 11:30-2:40-3:40-7:15 Mon-Thurs 2:40-3:40-7:15
Avatar (STC) Fri-Sat 12:30-4:25-7:10-10:15 Sun 12:30-4:25-7:10-10:15 Mon-Thurs 4:25-7:10-10:15
Avatar 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 11:30-3:15-7:10-10:10 Mon-Thurs 3:15-7:10-10:10
The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Sun 11:40-4:20-7:05-9:50 Mon-Thurs 4:20-7:05-9:50
The Book of Eli (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 11:30-12:45-2:15-4:45-5:15-6:30-7:15-8:15-10:10-10:11 Special Engagement Sun 11:30-12:45-2:15-4:45-5:15-6:30-7:15-8:15-10:10-10:11 Special Engagement Mon-Thurs 11:30-12:45-2:15-4:45-5:15-6:30-7:15-8:15-10:10-10:11
Daybreakers (18A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 1:30-6:7-8:30-9:30-10:50 Special Engagement Sun 1:30-6:7-8:30-9:30-10:50 Mon-Thurs 1:30-6:7-8:30-9:30-10:50
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Music

Cribs nab legendary axeman

Ex-Smiths guitarist Johnny Marr joins British indie act

CAM LINDSAY
for Metro Canada

When a band is looking to add a new member, the search usually consists of an audition process or, on a less professional scale, just adding a loyal friend on rhythm guitar.

Wakefield, England's The Cribs somehow managed to add one of the greatest living guitarists to bump the trio up to a quartet.

In early 2008, Johnny Marr, the former guitarist/co-songwriter of seminal '80s indie band The Smiths, joined The Cribs after serving a tour of duty with the band Modest Mouse.

Maybe it's become normal for him over the last two years but the way

drummer Ross Jarman explains it, the addition was like any member really.

"Fundamentally it's still like the Cribs," he says with a laidback tinge to his Northern accent. "But it's exactly how you'd expect it — us with Johnny's distinctive playing in there. So we changed the dynamic but not radically."

Jarman fully admits that when he and his twin brothers Gary and Ryan first played with Marr they acknowledged it was indeed their hero standing before them. But it took no time for the four of them to become a solid unit.

"Maybe the first time we practiced, we thought, 'Aww f—, it's Johnny Marr, he's playing with us!'" Jarman admits. "But five minutes after writing



Former The Smiths guitarist Johnny Marr joined The Cribs prior to the release of *Ignore The Ignorant*.

the first song it all went out the window."

More songs eventually came and in only three weeks the band recorded its fourth album, *Ignore The Ignorant*. While the presence of Marr distinctly tidies up the band's slushy, lo-fi sound (the title track

has an undeniable Smiths tone), the groups' scrappy anthems and derivative nature still remain intact.

Jarman says that despite Marr's illustrious career, the guitarist wanted to be one of the boys.

"I think Johnny just likes the real simplistic, DIY

ethics of the band," he says. "He doesn't want to change any of that, so we definitely don't feel like we have to step it up playing with him."

Embarking on the band's first North American tour as a four-piece, Jarman says the newest

"There are all of these cool, new parts coming out of Johnny. We have to total trust in what he plays." Ross Jarman

member is free to do as he likes on stage. "He listened to the old records, and there are parts that Ryan laid down that he can't play live, so Johnny's been weaving in and out of them," he says.

"We let Johnny come in and do what he thinks is right. There are all of these cool, new parts coming out of Johnny. We have total trust in what he plays."

In Concert

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Ed Robertson and Tyler Stewart are in a good mood — encouraging, given that the last couple of years haven't been easy: Robertson's plane crash, the death of Robertson's mom, and, of course, the departure of Steven Page last February. Not the best way to celebrate the band's 20th anniversary.

"It was a huge transition and a scary one to undertake," Robertson says, "but it's been so galvanizing and so liberating for the four of us."

How does a band compensate for losing a co-founder, frontman and songwriter? "There are four guys left in the band who do a lot of things,"

adds Tyler Stewart. "The fact that we've been together for twenty years, we really know and support each other. The compensation is that we're way more into it than we've been in the last ten years. We want to continue the legacy of Barenaked Ladies."

The new album — the band's 11th — called *All in Good Time* (due March 30) is the first record after, as Tyler says, "an intense couple of years."

Robertson and Page wrote together for two decades, churning out a long string of hits, but that all came to an end last winter. Robertson is philosophical about that. "Change is good, especially in the creative process. You get in certain ruts."

It's been nice for me to explore writing on my own. It was also a chance for Jim (Creeggan) and Kevin (Hearn) to come to the table with songs. We approached the new record as an adventure and it was a challenge that everyone rose to and everyone embraced."

The first single, *You Run Away*, started showing up on radio this week. And going against type, it's not goofy at all. Instead, it's a very beautiful and poignant song. "A lot of the lyrics on this record are very close to the bone," Robertson explains. "I allowed myself to go there this time."

Next month, they're off to Miami to perform at a Super Bowl event. Then Robertson will run with the Olympic torch in Vancouver before the band plays four shows during the games. Much touring will follow, including a North American tour in the spring and summer and the U.K. in the fall.

"Yesterday, I saw our schedule for the next six months. It's 1997 all over again!" Ed says. "Hello, rock 'n' roll pace. I've missed you!"

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Music

Basia opens up

Heart of My Own reflects love of literature

ROB MCMAHON
for Metro Canada



Basia Bulat's new album builds from an academic interest in the written craft of Emily Dickinson and the Brontë sisters, but also reaches to the soaring vistas of the Yukon for inspiration.

"History is full of people who are critics as well as creators. I'm probably not very good at either, but am I trying to learn and get better," said Bulat. "I love poetry and pop songs that have the ability to say so many things in such a short space. (It amazes me when) a writer can use a few lines to open up worlds."

Written during a leave of absence from her Master's thesis in English, *Heart of My Own* reflects a love of literature that be-

"I love poetry and pop songs that have the ability to say so many things in such a short space."

Basia Bulat

gan when Bulat's mother gave her eight-year-old daughter a copy of Jane Eyre. Her favourite Emily Dickinson poems echo the rhythm of a church choir — a kind of written cadence also reflected in classic Motown, which draws on gospel singing.

Bulat's interest in craft also comes out through the careful thought she put into sequencing the album. The album takes on a dramatic arc built around two sides (side A ends with Sparrow) that communicate a dynamic range of sound through ebbs and flows of arrangement and energy.

"(I wanted each song) to signal what would happen

next — to draw that out," she said. "(For example) the last line of the first song is, 'Let them know the burden of your blues.' Then song two is a fun song. I really like to be able to play that way with words, and hope that came across."

Bulat's songs — which veer from rollicking stompers like *If Only You* to the stripped-down coffeshop folk of *Sugar and Spice* — are also inspired by her reaction to the Canadian north. On her first visit to the Yukon, she was equally struck by the silence of the landscape and the tight-knit community. Far from home, Bulat and her



Basia Bulat's *Heart of My Own* — which is out Jan. 26 — is the follow-up to her critically acclaimed debut *Oh, My Darling*.

brother (who has played drums for her for more than a decade) felt right at home. "I had a limited experience in the Yukon — we were only there a week — but people opened their homes to us, and were so open and giving, it was amazing," she said.

"They treated us like

family, which is amazing when you are so far from your own family."

In Concert

• Basia Bulat performs at Toronto's Trinity St. Paul's United Church on Saturday.

Punk singer Jay Reatard dead at 29

PEOPLE Memphis punk rocker Jay Reatard has died. He was 29.

Memphis police said Reatard — whose real name was Jimmy Lee Lindsey Jr. — was found dead in bed Wednesday. Police are investigating the death. He had a reputation for raucous, fast-paced live gigs with bands the Reatards and the Lost Sounds, before performing under the solo moniker Jay Reatard.

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OK GO turns to old favs

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
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OK GO's latest is a combination of soul, R&B, rock and pop.

When OK GO uploaded a now wildly popular video (49 million and counting) for Here It Goes Again three-and-a-half years ago, they had no idea how popular it would become. "It's weird," says frontman Damian Kulash, still sounding a bit surprised by the popularity of his treadmill-dancing clip.

The Los Angeles-based foursome didn't set out to create one of the most talked about videos of the last decade, in fact, they don't consider their music video a video at all.

"Music videos used to be commercials for rock bands and labels who were trying to sell stuff," says Kulash. "Now that MTV is largely not playing videos, there's no reason to think of the music video as we used to."

For OK GO, making videos is "an opportunity to create the craziest ideas" says Kulash, something they can't do in a more ridged recording environment. It also gives them

the chance to play with the tunes. Unlike most videos, the band doesn't necessarily perform to its original track. In the YouTube clip for *This Too Shall Pass*, a tune off the group's new album *Of the Blue Colour Of The Sky*, the band incorporates an entire marching band and singing children — that's not on the CD version of the song.

"Why does a music video have to look like a car commercial," asks Kulash. "Why should it even be the same length as the song?"

Kulash says making his videos — most of which are even more creative and entertaining than *Here It Goes Again* — is when he can be at his most creatively ambitious. And while they do have to get financing for some of the videos ("not all can be for \$5," he says) for the most part the band is able to do what they want.

But, judging from the recent restrictions on what they can record either. The

group's third record is an ambitious combination of soul, R&B, rock and pop — on opener *WTF Kulash* does a pretty good Prince impression. It's a departure for the usually rock heavy group, but after years of touring with their amps turned up, it's hard to blame them for wanting a change.

"Whatever engines we had in that direction burned out a bit," Kulash explains. "I tried going into the garage and turning up my amps and impressing myself with a catharsis of volume, but it just wasn't there."

Kulash grew up listening to a lot of R&B and Prince, so when the rock 'n' roll dried up, he turned to his other favourite genres for inspiration. "I got back to my influences that were older and deeper," he says.

And that's reinvigorated the band, says the singer. "It's more alive for us because it doesn't feel like we're beating out songs again."

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Television

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NED EHRBAR
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NEW SERIES When the promotional trailer for the new series *Spartacus: Blood and Sand* was released during San Diego Comic Con, many viewers were surprised by the amount of, well, blood — and naked flesh.

Along with plenty of slow-motion spurting arteries, there are some quick — and some not-so-quick — flashes of nearly ever inch of the cast, including Andy Witfield (as the titular gladiator) and Xena: Warrior Princess and Battlestar Galactica vet Lucy Lawless.

"(The network) wanted to do something that's



Andy Witfield

groundbreaking and boundary-pushing," explains series executive producer Rob Tapert, who put the show together along with fellow executive producer Sam Raimi (himself no stranger to buckets of blood) and writer Stephen S. DeKnight, who cut his teeth writing for *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* and *Angel*. Tapert acknowledges

that comparisons to Zack Snyder's groundbreaking swords-and-sandals epic *300* are unavoidable. "We've used some of the same techniques," he says, adding, "We won't be the last imitator."

And while the name and the title character are familiar, Tapert insists this new venture is a vast departure from the 1960 Kirk Douglas classic. "We took very little from the original," he says. "The original *Spartacus* stands alone."

As TV tends to do, the series narrows the scope of the story, focusing in on *Spartacus'* introduction to the world of gladiators. But Tapert insists the backstory is more than simply an excuse to get to the raunchier material.

"If you're going to have sex and you're going to have violence, you better have the substance that supports that so it's not gratuitous," he says. "The action is stylized, but the drama is real." It premieres on The Movie Network and Movie Central Jan. 25



Hosts of MTV's *The Buried Life*, premiering Monday night.

Four guys and a camera

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada

The Buried Life began not so much as a TV series idea, but a question between friends.

"We just wondered — what do we want to do before we die? And we just

set out to do it," says Duncan Penn, who, along with brother Jonnie and friends Ben Nemtin and Dave Lingwood, serve as hosts and wish-fulfillers on *The Buried Life*.

"Having our own TV show was actually No. 53 on our list," says Penn.

Maybe it wasn't top pri-

ority, but the result is an MTV series best described as *The Bucket List* meets *Punk'd*. It's fun. It's delinquent, yet occasionally moving as well.

"What we never expected was how the question of what you want to do before you die would resonate with people," says Lingwood. "We had so many people help us, it seemed a natural that we'd try to help some of them."

The Buried Life follows the four Canadian college guys as they travel the countryside in a bus, fulfilling selfish dreams like attending a Playboy Mansion party, or asking Megan Fox out on a date.

But they also spend some of their time realizing the dreams of folks they meet on the road, like helping an underprivileged classroom get a new computer and hooking up a street artist with the son he hasn't seen in years.

"You think about that guy and his son. He'd been thinking about making that call for 17 years. And we helped make it happen," says Penn.

Still, *The Buried Life* ain't all touchy-feely. The boys' antics do occasionally run afoul of the law — such as when they attempt to tell a joke on late night television, or when they give a toast at a stranger's wedding.

"Some are easier than others to cross off. One you struggle with. You just never know," says Penn.

The foursome has — to date — crossed about 70 different items off their wish list, though they're always coming up with more.

One longtime goal, however, remains elusive.

"Going into space," says Lingwood. "But who knows?"

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Jan. 23 at 7p.m.
Repeat Sunday at 6:30p.m.
Rustic Tomato Tart
PREP TIME: 10 MIN. ► TOTAL TIME: 44 MIN. ► MAKES: 6 SERVINGS

What You Need 1 ready-to-use refrigerated pie crust (1/2 of 425-g pkg.) 3 plum tomatoes (1 lb./450 g), seeded, sliced 1-1/2 cups Kraft Tex Mex Light Shredded Cheese 1/3 cup Miracle Whip Calorie-Wise Dressing 4 slices bacon 1 cup arugula	Make it HEAT oven to 400°F UNROLL pie crust on baking sheet. Arrange tomato slices in circular pattern on crust, overlapping slices as needed to fit and leaving 1-1/2-inch border at edge. Mix cheese and dressing; spread over tomatoes. Fold edge of crust over tomatoes.	BAKE 20 to 24 min. or until cheese is melted and crust is golden brown. Meanwhile, cook bacon until crisp. COOL tart 10 min. Crumble bacon. Top tart with arugula and bacon.
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Entertainment

High Fidelity: A musical about life, love & mix tapes

JOHN KEILLOR
for Metro Canada

To hipsters, making *High Fidelity* into a musical should be impossible. The original Nick Hornby novel was about young men bickering over a thousand different genres of pop, which the 2000 film version captured brilliantly.

But Tony Award-winning composer Tom Kitt explains, if you put the story

first, the sound will follow. "The main character Rob expresses himself through different musical styles," explains Kitt by phone, "which dictate his life and his decisions. Instead of representing all the styles, I try to musically represent the musicians that Rob admires."

The trick here is to assemble a song making lots of references to a songwriter's output. It's like a collage effect, or a greatest hits compilation all within

a single number.

"Bruce Springsteen makes an appearance in the movie when Rob is writing down his top five breakups," recalls Kitt, "and it's obvious and touching how deeply Rob relates to Springsteen's music. So I wrote a song with Amanda (Green, the musical's lyricist) titled Goodbye and Good Luck, which is like a homage to Springsteen."

Goodbye and Good Luck, Kitt & Green's tribute to

Springsteen, certainly seems to touch on The Boss's best moments, referring to classic tunes like Thunder Road, She's the One, Born to Run, The River, Rosalita, and many others.

This is a way to make music about music that neither rips off the original composer, nor trivializes the lasting value of these songs.

High Fidelity begins at Toronto's Hart House Theatre today.

TO	Vu	SD	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
FRIDAY	265	353	2	TVO	Suggs' Italian	Suggs' Italian	Agenda With Steve Paikin	Heartbeat "Cashing In"	A. Gregg	Film 101	Agenda	
	211	331	3	GTV	ET Canada	Entertainment	Dollhouse (HDTV) (N)	Shark Tank (N)	NUMB3RS (HDTV) (N)	News Hour		
	215	343	4	OMNI	Two Men	The Office	Omni News: Italian Edition	Vivere V	Law & Order: Intent	Metropia		
	210	302	6	CBC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Rick Mercer	CBC News: The fifth estate	CBC News: The National (N)	The Hour		
	214	344	7	CITY	Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV)	Supernanny (N)	Man Tracker (DVS)	Man Tracker (DVS)	The Jay Leno Show	News		
	212	313	8	CTV	etalk	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer (N)	Medium (HDTV) (N)	Human Target "Pilot"	CTV News		
	218	345	11	CHCH	Jacob Two Two Meets the Hooded Fang (1999, Fantasy)	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer (N)	Naked Lunch *** (1991, Science Fiction) Peter Weller.	NUMB3RS (HDTV) (N)	News at 11		
	-	387	16	CBS	Inside Edition	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer (N)	Medium (HDTV) (N)	NUMB3RS (HDTV) (N)	News at 11		
	-	385	17	NBC	The Insider	Entertainment	Jeopardy! (N)	Dateline NBC	The Jay Leno Show	News		
	-	386	18	ABC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Supernanny (N)	Shark Tank (N)	20/20 (HDTV) (N)	News		
SATURDAY	219	346	20	ACH-B	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	Law & Order	Law & Order: SVU	Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	A News	
	-	-	28	FOX	Judge Judy	Two Men	Bones (HDTV)	Dollhouse (HDTV) (N)	Seinfeld	Two Men	Simpsons	
	-	388	61	PBS	NewsHour	Summer Wine	Dark Victory *** (1939, Drama)	Bette Davis	Peanuts	Wash. Week	Business Rpt.	
	500	500	33	CNN	CNN Tonight (N)		Campbell Brown (N)	Larry King Live (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)			
	405	417	22	net	NHL Hockey Mississauga St. Michael's Majors at Kitchener Rangers. (Live)			SportsCentre	Sportsnet Connected	Hockey		
	400	400	30	TSN	NHL Hockey Toronto Maple Leafs at Washington Capitals.			Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol		
	551	542	25	YTV	Lovestruck (2006, Adventure) Amanda Bynes.			That's-Weird	Fries That?	Prank Patrol		
	554	544	45	TEL	Batman	Wolverine	Justice	Star Wars	Futurama	King of Hill	Spawn ** (1997, Fantasy)	
	556	540	51	FAM	Sonny	Max Is Missing	(1995, Adventure)	(9:05) Sgymate (2003, Comedy)	Cadet Kelly (2002)			
	615	520	31	A&E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal		
SUNDAY	575	583	38	CMT	Cross Canada Countdown	Reba	Reba	Jim	Jim	Home Imp.	Hair Videos	
	616	521	39	SHO	Relic Hunter	Lava Storm (2008, Suspense)	Valerie Valois.	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Kenny vs.	Trailer Park	
	294	529	47	TBS	Family Guy	House-Payne	House-Payne	Cribs	Cribs	Teen Mom	1 girl 5 guys	
	581	566	52	MTV	Over Bolts	Peak Season	Peak Season	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Diners	Ramsay	
	603	561	56	FOOD	Ricardo	Eat, Shrink	Wild Chef	Friday the 13th ** (2009, Horror)	Let the Right One In			
	300	601	301	MT	(7:15) The Cell 2 (2009, Suspense), Frank Whaley							
	265	353	2	TVO	Secret Gold Story of gold.	The Anderson Tapes *** (1971) (DVS)	Interviews	(10:15) Cache (2005, Drama)	The Guard	TBA	News Hour	
	211	331	3	GTV	renewed	Jane Show	Gospel of Deceit (2006, Suspense) Alexandra Paul.	SVU: The Road to Nowhere	Young Rebels		Rekhal	
	215	343	4	OMNI	Na Luzie	SVU: The Road to Nowhere	SVU: The Road to Nowhere	SVU: The Road to Nowhere	SVU: The Road to Nowhere			
	210	302	6	CBC	NHL Hockey Ottawa Senators at Montreal Canadiens. (HDTV) (Live)			NFL Football: Patriots at Colts	NHL Hockey: Penguins at Canucks			
MONDAY	214	344	7	CITY	Amazing	Role	Glenn Martin	Out There	Where the Truth Lies *** (2005, Drama) (DVS)		News	
	212	313	8	CTV	NFL Football	Postgame	NFL Football AFC Divisional Playoff -- Baltimore Ravens at Indianapolis Colts.	Election *** (1999, Comedy) Matthew Broderick.	NFL Football: Patriots at Colts		CTV News	
	218	345	11	CHCH	The Secret Garden *** (1993, Drama) Kate Maberly.						News at 11	
	-	387	16	CBS	Paid Program	NFL	NFL Football AFC Divisional Playoff -- Baltimore Ravens at Indianapolis Colts.	Law & Order (HDTV)	Law & Order: SVU		News	
	-	385	17	NBC	Paid Program	Tim McCarver	Grey's Anatomy	Private Practice	Castle (HDTV)		News	
	-	386	18	ABC	Paid Program	Tim McCarver	Grey's Anatomy	Private Practice	Castle (HDTV)		News	
	219	346	20	ACH-B	The Road to Nowhere	Grey's Anatomy	Private Practice	Castle (HDTV)	Stargate Atlantis		A News	
	-	-	28	FOX	NFL Football	Postgame	Cops	Cops	Kitchen	Simpsons	Wanda Sykes	
	-	388	61	PBS	All Creatures Great & Small	Lark Rise to Candleford	Return of Sherlock Holmes	Poirot	Poirot	Masterpiece		
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	400	400	30	TSN	NHL Charity Poker Shootout	Curling Casino Rama Skins Game, Second Semifinal. Martin vs. Murdoch.		That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Ghost	
	551	542	25	YTV	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol	Funnest Home Videos	That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Ghost	
	554	544	45	TEL	Charlotte's Web *** (2006, Drama) Dakota Fanning			Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	
	556	540	51	FAM	Suite/Deck	Zoe 101	Suite Life	Han. Montana	Akeelah and the Bee *** (2006, Drama)	Hometown		
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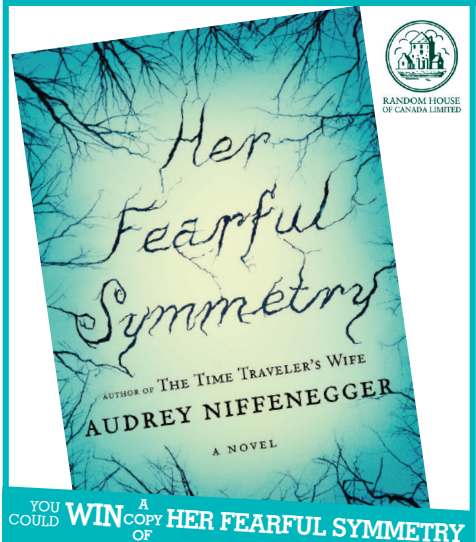
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	211	331	3	GTV	Family	Til Death	Brothers & Sisters (N)	24 Negotiating international security. (N)				
	215	343	4	OMNI	Hockey	Spirit of Art	Red On White: Journeys	Shooting for Change	Metropia	Metropia	Corpo E Alma	
	210	302	6	CBC	Heartland (N) (DVS)	Figure Skating	Extreme Makeover: Home	Chuck (HDTV) (N)	CBC News: The National (N)	Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV)	Great War	
	214	344	7	CITY	Survivorman (N)	Extreme Makeover: Home	Chuck (HDTV) (N)	Chuck (HDTV) (N)	Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV)	News		
	212	313	8	CTV	Desperate Housewives (N)	The 67th Annual Golden Globe Awards Achievement in film and television.					CTV News	
	218	345	11	CHCH	A Cinderella Story ** (2004, Romance-Comedy)	60 Minutes	The 67th Annual Golden Globe Awards Achievement in film and television.	The Sum of All Fears *** (2002, Suspense)	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	NCIS "Reunion"	News at 11	
	-	387	16	CBS	NFL Football	60 Minutes	The 67th Annual Golden Globe Awards Achievement in film and television.	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	NCIS "Reunion"	News at 11		
	-	385	17	NBC	Golden Globe-Red Carpet	60 Minutes	The 67th Annual Golden Globe Awards Achievement in film and television.	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	NCIS "Reunion"	News at 11		
	-	386	18	ABC	Funnest Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home	Desperate Housewives (N)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Nip/Tuck "Enigma"	News		
MONDAY	219	346	20	ACH-B	Golden Globe-Red Carpet	The 40-Year-Old Virgin (2005, Romance-Comedy)	Human Target "Pilot"	24 Negotiating international security. (N)	Masterpiece Classic (HDTV) (N)	Independent Lens (N)	A News	
	-	-	28	FOX	24 (HDTV PA)	Human Target "Pilot"	24 Negotiating international security. (N)	Masterpiece Classic (HDTV) (N)	Independent Lens (N)	Cold Case		
	-	388	61	PBS	The Lawrence Welk Show	Nature (N) (DVS)	Masterpiece Classic (HDTV) (N)	Larry King Live	Newsroom	State/Union		
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	400	400	30	TSN	NFL Football	Tennis Australian Open, First Round. (HDTV) From Melbourne, Australia. (Live)		That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Ghost	
	551	542	25	YTV	Garfield: Tail	Prank Patrol	Family Biz	Fries That?	Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline	
	554	544	45	TEL	Stoked	Total Drama	Majority	6TEEN	Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	
	556	540	51	FAM	Suite/Deck	Zoe 101	Suite Life	Han. Montana	Angus *** (1995, Drama)	Chicken	Futurama	
	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Jackson Family	Jacksons		

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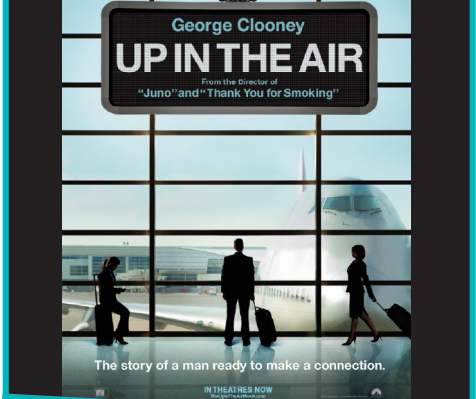


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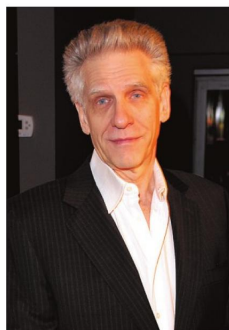
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FILM CRITICS AWARDS:
Canadian director David Cronenberg



FILM CRITICS AWARDS:
Metro film critic Richard Crouse



ART LOVERS were eyeing the best in Canadian portraiture during the Kingston Prize awards gathering at Waddington's Auction Rooms. The people-inspired evening showcased 30 works from artists across Canada. From art to film, the Toronto Film Critics Association was abuzz as it honoured the best in Canadian cinema at Not a Bene on Queen. The dinner and cocktail gala night featured Canada's best actors and directors.

FILM CRITICS AWARDS, LEFT:
Toronto International Film Festival director Cameron Bailey.



FILM CRITICS AWARDS: Film directors, from left, Denis Villeneuve, Xavier Dolan and Benoit Pilon.



THE KINGSTON PRIZE:
Artist Yevgeniya Savosta.



THE KINGSTON PRIZE:
Waddington's administrator Kate Godin.



THE KINGSTON PRIZE: Artists Paul Robert and Pamela Rosales.



FILM CRITICS AWARDS: Film director Atom Egoyan and wife/actor Arsinée Khanjian.



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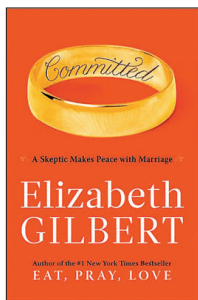
Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Cairo Time
DVD One of the best Canadian films of 2009 presents a double whammy — the acting prowess of veteran star Patricia Clarkson and the sultry visuals of director Ruba Nadda. Throw in the exotic locales of Egypt and a mature, cross-cultural romance and you've got a date movie for grown ups.



2 Conan O'Brien vs. Jay Leno
TV It's probably too early to say, but this one's got to be the biggest TV battle of the year. NBC's cancelling Leno's prime-time show to send him back to his old pre-midnight slot, currently held by O'Brien. Both hosts have taken potshots at their employer, but now they are turning on each other on camera. This well may be the career boost both of them needed.

3 Committed by Elizabeth Gilbert
BOOK The American writer's previous book Eat, Pray, Love explored the author's spiritual search in the wake of a broken relationship. The memoir went on to become a massive seller. Gilbert turns her skepticism on its head in her latest work, which tries to find out what makes marriages tick.



4 Tuper Tario Tros
GAME Tetris meets Super Mario Bros. in this surprisingly entertaining online game. Here's how it works: You start out in a regular Mario game replete with magic mushrooms and evil snails. But, you also have the option of crossing over to Tetris mid-game where your block-rocking prowess will determine what kind of obstacles the Italian plumber will have to tackle to make it to Princess Peach.

5 Contra: Vampire Weekend
ALBUM Love 'em or hate 'em, you can't ignore these Ivy League lads. The four-piece band rocked the indie world, and then some more, with their self-titled debut album. Now they are back with a second helping of their signature Afropop-New Wave-tinged rock. The Billboard No. 1 spot seems well within reach.



6 The White Ribbon
FILM If the awards season puts you in the mood for some serious cinema, give this German film a shot. Winner of the top prize at Cannes last year, Michael Haneke's latest work chronicles the strange occurrences inside an otherwise sleepy German village just before the First World War. In limited release, but should be at a theatre near you soon enough.

7 Golden Globe Awards
SHOW Oscars Lite? Call it what you will, but the Hollywood red carpet madness begins here. On the movies side, there are no clear frontrunners, but as far as TV goes, Mad Men has it locked up. Aired Sunday on CTV at 8 p.m. EST. The show will be hosted by Ricky Gervais.



Mix of Six

Something Red

When: Through Jan. 24
Where: Unit 102 Studio

Something Red, which debuted in Toronto 30 years ago, is a psychosexual thriller revived by Alexander Krstich and Stephen Chambers of Doghouse Riley Productions. Thu-Sat 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. \$15.

Mr. Scruff @ Keep It Unreal

When: Friday
Where: Wrongbar
Andy "Mr. Scruff" Carthy puts the "fun" in funk. Known for his marathon sets, British DJ producer will play from open to close.

Medallions

When: Saturday
Where: The Comfort Zone
Scott Kaija (controller) and Frontier Index's Mick Jackson and John Hunter have teamed up in Medallions, a new outfit mixing dark beats and anthemic indie-rock. \$8. 8:30pm.

The Crips

When: Friday

Where: The Phoenix Concert Theatre

After The Smiths' former guitarist Johnny Marr joined The Crips, he and the young UK band formed what proved to be the perfect union. Their new album, Ignore the Ignorant, marries refined chords with indie rawness for a match made in heaven. \$19.50. 8 p.m.

Little Girls

When: Friday
Where: Sneaky Dee's
Josh McIntyre and his post-punk outfit return to their native Toronto to wow local fans with their surf rock-inspired jams. \$8. 8 p.m.

HotMess DJs @ Hotmess Fundrager

When: Saturday
Where: Suba, 292 College
HotMess DJs Chris James and Derek W. made a name for themselves in 2009. Here, on home turf, they host a fundraiser in support of OCADPhoto Thesis students.

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EYEWEEKLY

Rent says goodbye to its lead legend

JOHN KEILLOR
for Metro Canada

The rock musical Rent is saying goodbye to one of its leading veterans.

Tenor Adam Pascal has sung the role of HIV-positive songwriter Roger Davis since the production's Broadway premiere in 1996. Moving on to new opportunities, Pascal says the musical's message has evolved with the times.

"There's a different atmosphere around Rent these days," says Pascal by phone from his home in Los Angeles. "When it was written, AIDS was a death sentence. Now it's not. Now in the production, AIDS is a metaphor for any crisis today. For many people, life itself is often a crisis."

Rent is based on Puccini's

1896 opera La Boheme, in which Parisian hipsters are dying of tuberculosis. TB is treatable now, and yet La Boheme is still one of the world's most popular operas. Rent has a similar durability. It's becoming a classic in its own right. There's even a high school version in circulation now, with a few changed words to keep parents from worrying too much.

"I find the changed words offensive," says Pascal. "There's a misconception that the musical is dangerous. It's amazing to me that there are people in this country who are still afraid of gay people."

Though Pascal's central character isn't gay (Roger's

wife has committed suicide after discovering they are HIV-positive), the fact that homosexuality is frankly and unapologetically portrayed in this musical has spooked some conservative concert goers since its inception. Rent is more about arty types living a grimy, impoverished life in Greenwich Village. The characters are often young and impulsive, and sometimes they make dumb decisions that no single sexual orientation can lay claim to.

However, all the controversy surrounding Rent doesn't seem to have hurt

the production. In less than 15 years, it has garnered four Tony Awards, a Pulitzer Prize, a Grammy Award, and has grossed nearly \$300 million. Those are hardly embittering figures.

Nor is the cast politicized. "I don't carry on my shoulders a responsibility to report on something," says Pascal. "It's fine that some other people find things in (Rent) that are important to them politically, but that's not my job."

Though the controversy may last indefinitely, Rent remains fundamentally a tear-jerking tale of lives overtaken by circumstances. We are moved by believable portrayals, regardless of message.

"My job is to perform," says Pascal, "to evoke a character and a story to the best of my ability."

Rent runs
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Sunday, Jan. 24,
at the The Canon
Theatre



Actors Adam Pascal and Lexi Lawson in Rent.

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ROMINA MCGUINNESS
Metro World News**Bali has faced a tougher time than most paradise islands in the last 10 years.**

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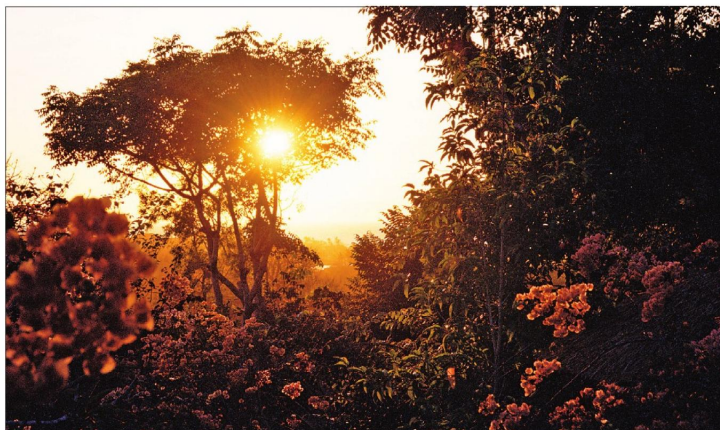
So what can the returning tourists expect from this little corner of Indonesia?

Well, achieving Nirvana may be a bit of a stretch but the tiny 150km wide island boasts sublime white beaches in the south, hectic high-octane nightlife in the resorts, an imposing active volcano in the north west, all fringed by breathtaking coral reefs.

But those seeking a two week taste of Gilbert's voyage of self-discovery should head for

It is surrounded by forest and rivers and is the island's artistic and spiritual heart.

Failing that, you'll get a decent pina colada and a fantastic massage.



Following a tough decade for Bali tourism, travellers have begun to return to this hot spot.

Where to stay

Ubud has a wide selection of good hotels — try the Ubud Hanging Gardens for chic villas with private pools. It's home to painters dancers and musicians and healers. Accommodation ranges from dirt cheap losmens to the five star Four Seasons Sayan hotel. ubudhanginggardens.com

Best Supper Spot

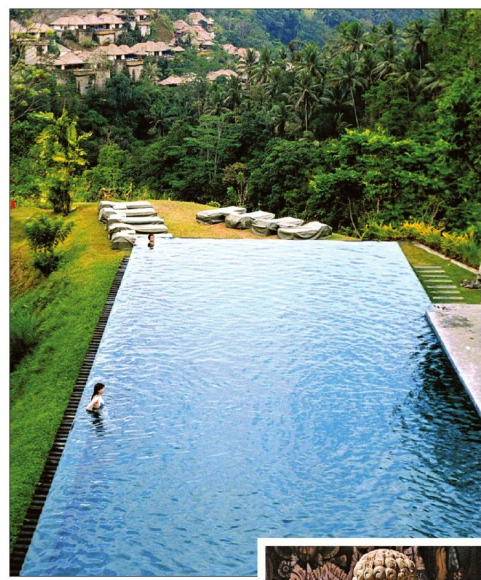
In Ubud, traditional Balinese meets modern French at Mozaic, (mozaic-bali.com) — the only restaurant in Southeast Asia that has been awarded Les Grandes Tables du Monde by Traditions et Qualité.

Book in advance and have the tasting menu.

Best Beach

Jimbaran Beach (bali-indonesia.com/jimbaran) is probably Bali's best beach with plenty of white sand, good swimming, surfing, and sailing.

It also has an entertaining nightlife and a swath of fine dining establishments to make any night packed with options.

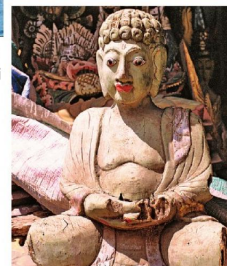


Chic villas and private pools meet a seriously spiritual culture in Bali

Fast Facts on Bali

Most Balinese people are tri-lingual — English, Balinese and Indonesian.

On Balinese New Year a day of silence is observed. The island's volcano Mount Agung last erupted.

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Spencer, Heidi's scaring the neighbours again

When Heidi Montag walked into her house Wednesday with her face concealed, police were summoned with a report of a possible kidnapping. But the misunderstanding was all cleared up. **PEOPLE.COM**

Celebrity Buzz**Brangelina to the rescue**

IT'S PRETTY COOL, ACTUALLY Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie have made good on their promise to reach out to victims of the massive earthquake that struck Haiti on Tuesday, us-magazine.com reports.

The couple donated \$1 million US to the Doctors Without Borders for the organization's emergency medical operations in Haiti, the website has confirmed.

"It is incredibly

horrible to see a catastrophe of this size hit a people who have been suffering from extreme poverty, violence and unrest for so many decades," Jolie, who has



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served as a Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations since 2001, said in a statement.

Pitt — who, along with Jolie, has been a longtime supporter of Doctors Without Borders — added, "We understand the first response is critical to serve the immediate needs of countless people who are now displaced from their homes, are suffering trauma, and most require urgent care."

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Lindsay Lohan sex tape?

HOW TO FLOG A FAILING HOLLYWOOD CAREER 101 A sex tape allegedly starring Lindsay Lohan is reportedly about to be made public, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress, who recently filmed a documentary about child trafficking in India, is said to be the star of a 47-second clip, which could be about to appear on the internet.

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A source told the Daily Mirror newspaper, "The video film is dynamite. It is pretty seedy and shows Lindsay engaged in a particularly lurid sex act, which, obviously, should remain behind closed doors."



"Lindsay was desperate to start 2010 off on

a good footing and this is the very last thing she needs.

"If and when it is released on the internet, via a spurious, unofficial website, there is absolutely nothing she or her lawyers can do about it."

Hustler is said to be offering more than \$200,000 US for the video, which was filmed by a waiter from a chain restaurant.

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And Depp made a statue in his own image

OH, TO BE THAT SCULPTOR Johnny Depp is currently being treated like a king on a trip to Serbia, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The Hollywood heart-throb is over in the Eastern European country to help open the Kustendorf International Film and Music

Festival in the city of Drvengrad.

Earlier in the week he was given a warm welcome by the nation and met Serbia's president Boris Tadic in the capital Belgrade on Tuesday. He was then taken to Drvengrad where officials unveiled a



statue of the star in recognition of his contribution to the movie industry.

The festival was launched by Serbian director Emir Kusturica, for whom Depp is set to take the role of Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa. The movie, given the snappy title of Seven Friends of Pancho Villa and the Woman with Six Fingers, is rumoured to be coming out in 2012. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

No 'Brand' new babies yet

BABY BUMP ALERT TAKEN DOWN TO 'YELLOW' Despite the rumours circulating online, Katy Perry is not pregnant, usmagazine.com reports. The star's rep says reports claiming Perry, who got engaged to Russell Brand on New Year's Eve in India, was getting a sonogram and showing off a baby bump were "not true." Plus, the



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singer, 25, took to her Twitter account to say that she was on "my period" Wednesday evening. "Better luck next month peepz," she posted.

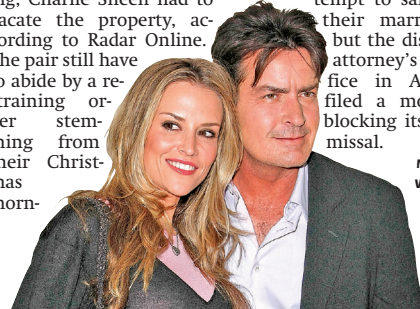
Still, Perry didn't do much to squash pregnancy rumours this past Sunday, when she and her fiancé scoped out booties at a baby boutique in North London.

Single parents alone together

PUTTING 'DYNAMIC' IN FAMILY DYNAMICS Brooke Mueller moved back into her Los Angeles home this week, but because she was coming, Charlie Sheen had to vacate the property, according to Radar Online. The pair still have to abide by a restraining order stemming from their Christmas morning

ing scuffle in Aspen, Colo.

Their lawyers have reportedly asked a judge to lift the restraining order so that the couple can attempt to salvage their marriage, but the district attorney's office in Aspen filed a motion blocking its dismissal.

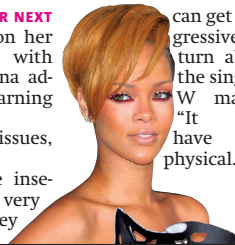


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Why must hindsight be so clear?

NOW YOU'LL KNOW FOR NEXT TIME Looking back on her rocky relationship with Chris Brown, Rihanna admits that all the warning signs were there. "There were control issues, insecurity. "When people are insecure they become very controlling and they

can get very aggressive and in turn abusive," the singer tells W magazine. "It doesn't have to be physical."



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Follow these celebrities on Twitter...

CelebTweets

EMMY ROSSUM goes after Heidi Montag, **JEREMY PIVEN** will not be lining up to see The Tooth Fairy, **LADY GAGA** doesn't abide scalpers, and **RUSSELL BRAND** is hoping for better weather. @emmyrossum It upsets me to see young women in the spotlight advocating plastic surgery. ANY surgery is extremely dangerous & should not be taken lightly, much less, used as a tool to increase notoriety or popularity.

@jerempiven sooo it's Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson wearing a tutu AND playing hockey! BOOM! Everybody wins! and cue the apocalypse.

@ladygaga pretty genius, big huge man banging on the car window outside the arena, trying to sell me scalped tickets to my own show. yooooo skulliwag @rustyrocks Raining in La this is not the deal. London has snow. SNOW! This better

be Hollywood rain that tastes of lemonade and gives superpowers.

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Jerry says no

TELEVISION When Jerry Seinfeld agreed to serve as executive producer for his new series, the Marriage Ref, NBC was hoping he'd go a step further and host the show as well. But that won't be happening, according to Page Six. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

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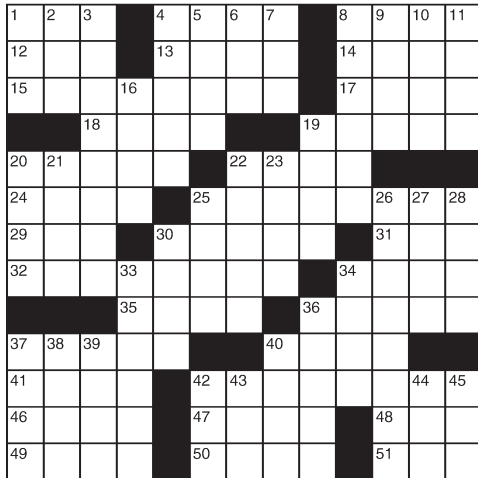
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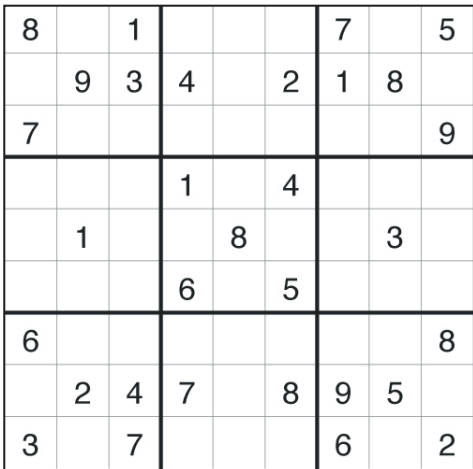
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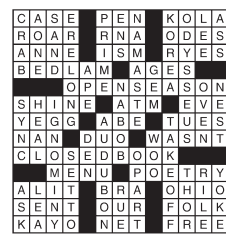
Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.comFor Sally's expanded daily and weekend horoscopes, visit metronews.ca

ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
This is a great day to make major decisions about what you do for a living. With a solar eclipse in the career area of your chart your decisions are sure to be good ones.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You cannot be pushed into doing something against your will but you can be persuaded if the proposal is good enough.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
The answer to a problem that has been teasing you from the edge of your subconscious for weeks, maybe even months, will pop into your head today.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
You are well aware that you cannot solve a problem by running away from it, and that fact alone puts you at an advantage over your rivals.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
The best way to deal with money worries is to pretend they do not exist. However, others may say you are fooling no one.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
You are a lot richer than you imagine and with some outstanding cosmic activity in the money area of your chart you won't be out of pocket for long.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Go out of your way to stay on good terms with everyone you meet today because the more friends you make now the more success you will enjoy.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
Mercury, planet of the mind, appears to have come to a stop in your sign, a cosmic illusion, of course, but an important one.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
You will rediscover your enthusiasm for something that you seemed to lose interest in during the closing weeks of last year.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
Anyone who expects you to stand there like a fool and just take what they are saying about you obviously does not know you too well.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You may not be much of a believer in miracles but the planets indicate that something out of the ordinary is going to occur today.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Something you find out about a friend will shock you and excite you in equal measure. Who would have thought they could have kept such a juicy secret?

Metro Recipe of the Day



Chef's Salad

INGREDIENTS:

1 1/2 oz (40 g) anchovies drained and roughly chopped
1 garlic clove, roughly chopped
1/2 tsp (2 ml) Dijon mustard
4 tbsp (60 ml) olive oil
1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice
2 tbsp (25 ml) thick cream
1 romaine lettuce, torn into bite-sized pieces
4 tomatoes, cut into wedges
1 avocado, diced
1/4 cucumber, diced
3 1/2 oz (100 g) Gouda cheese, diced
3 1/2 oz (100 g) roast ham, diced

METHOD:

1. Put anchovy fillets, garlic, mustard, oil and

lemon juice into food processor or blender. Blend until dressing is smooth, then add cream and blend again for just a few seconds.
2. Put lettuce, tomatoes, avocado, cucumber, cheese and ham into large bowl and gently mix together.
3. Lightly drizzle anchovy dressing over salad, season with black pepper and serve at once.

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